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## Editorials

No chapter of our fraternity has made the conspicuous success of its finances that Indiana Alpha has. The thanks of this chapter and of the fraternity at large are due a little group of alumni in Indianapolis who were endowed with a foresight and business sagacity the equal of which has seemingly been put to use in no other fraternity. And this foresight and sagacity is now on the threshhold of being expanded from a \$50,000 fraternity house enterprise to a million dollar undertaking radiating far beyond the limits of the state of Indiana.

Be it remembered that a few years ago the chapter house of Indiana Alpha at Purdue University burned, leaving the chapter the munificent sum of \$3,000. The fire was a blessing in disguise. It brought together a meeting of alumni to which the small group of Indianapolis alumni put their proposition: that they would take the \$3,000 of insurance, raise the rest of the capital stock themselves, secure additional financing by means of mortgages and take over the management and control of the finances of the chapter. The proposition was accepted. Plans were drafted, business experience was brought to bear and the result was that at the next session the chapter went into a house that, to the bulk of our chapters, would seem a palace. The experiment, if it were that, worked. Bad accounts were reduced from a large percentage of the gross business done to no loss at all. The chapter was maintained at a membership capacity that not only enabled the chapter to serve better meals and give a better service generally but to pay a healthy dividend upon the stock invested after making all additions and replacements each year. This method proved such a success that no less than five fraternities have consulted the originators of the system with regard

to securing the plan of operation or of taking over the operation of these outside groups. What better testimonial could be had?

This has been the result of no magic other than that of headwork. The plan is not to stop with Indiana Alpha nor with Illinois Alpha, which chapter was taken over and put on the same basis by the Indianapolis men. Grand Historian Becker now has under way the plan for bringing a large group of chapters together under the same plan of management as used by Indiana Alpha, standardize their operations, provide each with a working "plant" or fraternity house of imposing dimensions and quality and lay the foundation for the up-building of the fraternity in a material way. There is just one pre-requisite for the successful institution of this scheme. That is the understanding of the plan and its acceptance and the "hitching up" of the alumni chapters to the active chapters. There are no donations involved here. This is strictly a business matter, but it does require that the alumni take an active interest and take over the operation of the active chapter, keep the books, make audits of the active chapter's books and supervise the operation of the work. So little and yet so much!

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Down among the blue grass and race horses and where once that commodity banished by the Eighteenth Amendment flowed freely, there is consternation.

**NO ACCOUNTING FOR LEGISLATURES** The Kentucky legislature has leaped into an undesirable limelight. Under date of January 23rd, appears the following news item:

"Teaching of evolution as it relates to the origin of man, would be forbidden in any school, college or university which receives support wholly or in part from the state, under a bill introduced in the Kentucky house today. The measure forbids teaching of 'Darwinism, agnosticism or evolution as it pertains to the origin of man.' "

And this is the "land of the free" where free thought and tolerance abides! Yes, as we come to think of it, it is that. Surely, no legislature will pass a bill laying out a course of what we shall study. They have laid out a course as to what

we may, to some extent, eat and not eat. They have said, as we recall, something quite specific as to what we shall not drink. And now a legislature proposes to legislate as to what we shall not study! Shades of Washington, Hamilton, Franklin and other framers of the Constitution! That section of Sir Oliver Lodge's spirit world reserved for the fathers of our country must be in a terrible turmoil.

But the point is this: all of our mental defectives are not yet deceased. They even creep into legislatures and occasionally run amuck. And every so often on one of those rampages they enact some anti-fraternity legislation. Of course, they can not secure a following unless fraternities have given them something to make capital of. A fraternity escapade makes a fine and juicy morsel for these cranks to chew. It behooves the fraternities to steer close to the shore, to avoid not only the actuality but the appearance of evil. This is to do no more than their duty; no more than every national organization demands of its sub-chapters. Take your cue and eliminate rough-house initiations. Reports of these affairs have drawn much unfavorable comment on fraternities and, so far as can be observed, they have had nothing to do with instilling fraternity spirit in the tyro. Also avoid unfavorable comment by refusing membership to that type of men that gets into trouble. Our fraternity is not a reformatory and we do not care to assume an unsavory reputation because of one or more "bad eggs" in our midst. Care in pledging will take care of this situation.

Let us in passing leave this thought: chapters which head the scholarship lists do not get into unfavorable prominence. It is the old story again; good comes to those who do good—and the converse.

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The chapter that fails to enforce good, rigid fraternity examinations is not doing its part in the making of the best type of fraternity men. Can one imagine **FRATERNITY** being a high class engineer without having **EXAMINATIONS** a broad knowledge of the activities and accomplishments within that profession? Can one imagine getting a high degree of efficiency out of any business enterprise without a thorough knowledge and understanding of that particular business throughout the country?

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Neither can one be a creditable fraternity man without a thorough knowledge of his own fraternity and a reasonably thorough knowledge of what is given us to know about all fraternities.

Chapters should make an early start toward preparing their membership for fraternity examinations. The earlier in the freshman's career that he learns the ropes, the better. It should be an absolute requirement that before any man be initiated he should have passed the examinations with a good grade. Don't make a farce of these tests. Don't put it off until the last three days before initiation and then cram a passing knowledge into the freshman's head. Require your freshmen to meet when the chapter meets and spend their time in studying the matters upon which they will eventually be examined. It might not be out of order to require everyone to pass the examination each year as is required in some fraternities.

The sum and substance of it all is that the man who has been put to these tests leaves college well informed regarding the Greek letter system. We are all due to meet and mingle with Greek letter people more or less all of our lives. Let us not be so ignorant of the system that we lay ourselves open to ridicule because we know of no other organization than our own. And let us get a better appreciation of our own organization by a knowledge of all of the others. One has an instinctive aversion for the things concerning which he is not informed; and, conversely, he is interested in things regarding which he is well informed. Let us make good fraternity members by turning them out as **well-posted** men on the fraternity system and **thoroughly posted** men on their own fraternity.

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Let us have a little frank and friendly talk about this publication of the fraternity. Let us make it just as friendly as it is frank. We shall, perhaps, all get **WHY EDITORS** along better for it.

**GROW GRAY HAIRED** Here is the first bomb: There is not enough co-operation on the part of most chapters with the editor. We need not confine the statement to the editor. The Grand Secretary can put up a worse complaint than we can, no doubt. Is there some misconception concerning our publication? Is it thought that this is a magazine belonging to the editor? Frankly, the

editor was of the opinion that it was a magazine belonging to the fraternity. As such it is to be maintained by, and be reflective of, the entire fraternity. If we have the correct view, will some one enlighten us further: How can we, out here west of the Mississippi River, fabricate, out of whole cloth, news and other material representative of the fraternity along the Atlantic Seaboard? We are not speaking any more of the Atlantic Seaboard chapters than of all the rest. We have a few chapters that are splendid in their co-operation; a request for any material is met with a response by return mail. But not so in the case of the majority of the chapters.

Here is bomb number two: The Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity must have gone bankrupt on literary talent! Kindly recall that we said this was to be a **frank** and **friendly** chat. You'll agree that it is frank; please see that it is also friendly. Look over the past several issues of the Journal. There has been some good writing in them—the present editor did not do it and can make this remark with modesty—but **how much** was there? What was expected? Was it expected that by some legerdemain the editor could secure biographies of its prominent members, articles of its members traveling in foreign lands, let us say, reviews of books that have brought justifiable fame to authors among our membership and the multitude of articles that might have been contributed that would have been of great interest to the fraternity? If this was the thought, you were very flattering to the editor but, we can assure you, far from the truth of the situation. Surely, surely, rhetoric and English are taught in some of these colleges where we have chapters and there must be some members among us who could put the quill to work with good advantage to the fraternity.

We now have the load off of our editorial chest, and we feel better. We hope we have caused no offense but if we have we haven't time to give it any further thought. We are too busy trying to get together, single handed, a fraternity publication that will be of some little good in making of these half hundred chapters and seven thousand alumni a cohesive organization to give much attention to apologies. We meant well, anyway, even if our methods savored of the bull-in-the-china-shop fable. Just to make amends we will strike a bargain with you. Send us a few good contributions to the next issue of the Journal and we will take it all back. Get on the trail of your men who are clever with the pen.

The thing that distinguishes Smith from Jones is the identical thing that we spend those years in college to acquire; that society spends those millions of dollars **WHAT MAKES** in educational institutions to develop; that **THE MAN** is the ruling force of the world—personality. The country, the world, has been governed by certain individuals because they had the power of a personality. Personality is the YOU of you. It is the thing that, consciously or otherwise, you are trying to develop. Its possession means your success; the failure to acquire it means your failure in the world. It does not mean personal mannerisms or idiosyncracies; it does not mean charm of appearance of physical characteristics. Intrinsically, personality lies deeper. It is that quality in a man that, after you have talked to him five minutes, makes you feel irresistably attracted toward him; that after an hour's conversation your thoughts are pervaded with a sense of his bigness and worthwhileness and after a few weeks' acquaintance you would go through the proverbial hell and high water for him.

How can you develop that quality yourself? Be yourself. Perhaps someone else is absorbing your personality. Throw him off; be independent; be yourself. Perhaps you are unconsciously imitating someone must of the time. What is it you are imitating? Isn't it a fact that God endowed you with a quality of equal value but that self consciousness or some other suppressive influence has prevented you from giving it adequate expression? Try a little introspection—no, a great deal of introspection—and catalogue your qualities. Then give them free rein. Cut loose from influences. Be considerate of everyone but maintain an indifference to the opinions of others. In so doing, however, be certain you are tracking straight—that you are doing what is right.

Personality is in part based upon education. That man speaks with authority, and is delegated authority, who has facts at his command. He who knows his subject is listened to. He who is widely read unconsciously brings a charm to his discourse. He has such a fund of information which is so analyzed and classified that he constantly annotates his expression of thought with the illustrative information his education has brought him. Then, too, he has a security of opinion, born of study of his subject, that permits him to speak with an authority that others recognize. It is only education that can bring these attributes. It is only a full

day's work for months and years that can bring one this wealth of information and this culture of thought. But this is the aim of our colleges and the aim of our fraternity.

There are other attributes of personality but it is upon these that the fraternity can build. Constructive criticism can remodel the "queer" man in the chapter. This is good if his queerness is undesirable. Just because he is different is not a matter for condemnation. He may have within him the makings of a personality of charm. It is beneficial to know yourself as others see you. Nowhere does a man have this privilege as in the fraternity. The relationships are of that intimacy that permits members to speak freely and frankly. Let the privilege be used but make certain that it is done in the proper spirit. Crabbiness is not to be countenanced.

Every chapter can put on the pressure of compelling scholarship. There are men who have not learned to discipline themselves. Some favor letting them go under. We thereby shirk a certain responsibility. Most of these men can be brought through with a fair quality of work if they are properly handled. And if, perchance, these lines are read by one of those who is a laggard and has not yet learned to work, let him make himself responsive to this "handling."

The fraternity specializes in men of good personality. It demands a fair degree of personality before it extends an invitation to membership. Its avowed purpose is to develop personality to the highest degree. But how short of the ideal do we, in so many cases, fall!

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Due to instructions to historians arriving in many cases after their copy had been submitted, the news articles of this issue are not what we would call a howling success. A marked improvement is seen in many and some few have caught the idea and put it to work. A more impersonal appraisement of activities is necessary in most cases, historians writing from the point of view of the "insider" rather than with the impartial view of a totally disinterested news reporter. Let it be remembered that you are not writing for your chapter but for strangers, although brothers, the country over. Pet names and local color must

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go and in their place must be substituted **more** news better written. The circular to historians announced the abolition of "we stuff" in news articles but we find ourselves in error: there was a great deal of it used again. If by "we" the writer's chapter is meant, let that chapter be named. Make certain that all men are accredited with their proper names and initials and, in some cases, an application of the rules of grammar and of rhetoric would meet with high favor on the part of the editor.

Not all news articles are in at the time this is written, but of those submitted honorable mention is due the following historians: George G. Felt, New York Alpha; Charles W. Shoffstall, District of Columbia Alpha; Ralph Culnan, Wisconsin Alpha, and William C. Pierson, Pennsylvania Eta. There has been other good work submitted but these historians have, perhaps, approached the requirements the closest. None of these, however, have submitted as much news as they could or should and historians should not be bound to such items as are here mentioned. These articles are, however, commended to the attention of the writers of articles for the next issue and there may be others received before going to press that will be equally meritorious. Our aim is to "breed" up the species of articles until we have some excellent models to serve as a standard.

In passing, one suggestion may be made. To cure the eternal defect in news articles of not telling all of the news historians should carefully catalogue all topics before preparing their article and submit them in the chapter meeting to be certain that they have overlooked nothing. If the favorable opinion of the fraternity toward your chapter is desired it may best be secured by telling all of the news and telling it well.

Last, but not least, do not forget the alumni news. We must have it.

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If remarks concerning the scholarship of fraternities have grown trite, then they must grow even more trite. High scholarship is one of the roots that supports **SCHOLARSHIP AGAIN** the fraternity tree. Let us not get away from home; let us consider merely ourselves. Granting that fraternity scholarship may be not of the best generally, we are not concerned with that condition here. Let us put our own house in order.

Our active chapters are in no wise measuring up to their possibilities in the matter of scholarship. There are a few that rank at the top in their respective schools. To these the fraternity as a whole extends a thought of appreciation. But these chapters are in a sad minority. The scholarship of many of our chapters is a disgrace. In a school in which there are twenty fraternities, unless there is an unusual condition, the fraternity that is tenth in the list is not doing good work scholastically. Rarely, indeed, are the leading fraternities doing unusually good work and by the time one gets half way down the list the percentages are very poor. The exceptional situation is where all fraternities are closely grouped and active competitors for the honor of heading the list.

There can be little dispute as to what good scholarship is. The problem is how to secure it. The first general rule will be to insure every member of the chapter making a passing grade in every hour of work carried.

When considered it seems strange to think that plans must be laid for compelling men to merely make a passing grade. The experience of the colleges show, however, that this is necessary. There are a certain number of laggards in the world—good enough fellows but who have never learned how to work or how to routine themselves. Seemingly, they must be brought under a common rule with all others and given a routine. If these men can be started out right as freshmen they may be brought through without much difficulty and with much advantage to themselves. They should come under the rule even though they may be upper classmen. The man with the good of the fraternity at heart, upper classman or under classman, will voluntarily subject himself to any rule or any routine of work laid down by the chapter as a whole.

It is never too late to start a scholarship campaign, although it may be too late to secure results. Many a man, and many a chapter, has barely saved a scholastic disgrace by heading about the last month of the semester. Get your chapter on a scholastic ration without further delay. The situation is perilous to the fraternity interests. Unless fraternities succeed in materially raising their scholarship, opposition in legislatures and college faculties will either put them out of existence or place them in such a light that they might as well be out of existence.



Washington Beta Chapter House

## Washington Beta Installed

By Mathew F. Murphy, Washington Beta, '22

The installation of Washington Beta of Sigma Phi Epsilon on January 14, 1922, was an event of undying memory for both initiates and alumni who were privileged to attend.

During the week preceding the installation date, the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon associated with the local took it upon themselves to humble the pride of the local men to the point where they would be most receptive to the treatment afforded by the members of the Puget Sound Alumni Association on Thursday evening, the twelfth. For some five hours, the old-timers renewed their youth and their college memories in inflicting punishment on the local men.

Grand Secretary "Billy" Phillips arrived from Des Moines during the evening, and upon being brought to the house, took an active hand in the festivities.

The following day saw the commencement of the ritualistic work. From 1 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock that night the local men, to the number of twenty-three, were given the password and grip. L. C. "Shorty" Boggs, from Washington Alpha, arrived late in the afternoon, having been delayed by a wreck of the train on which he rode. Brother Lloyd B. Gregg, of Oregon Alpha, was present for the entire ceremony.

Following the first day's work, most of the younger men attended the Upperclass Roundup, in the Armory, while the older men left for home, in anticipation of the work to follow on the morrow.

At 10 o'clock the next morning, the ceremony of initiation was continued, and at 2:15, all the members of the local had been initiated. The members of the new chapter are:

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| 1 | Travis, Beverly Artimus, EE '22.....  | Pinehurst, Wash.  |
| 2 | Murphy, Matthew Franklin, EE '22..... | Portland, Ore.    |
| 3 | Metz, John Ernest, BA '23.....        | Post Falls, Idaho |
| 4 | Callender, James Asa, CE '22.....     | Colfax, Wash.     |
| 5 | Kane, Arthur Thomas, ME '22.....      | Edison, Wash.     |
| 6 | Turner, Charles Maynard, EE '22.....  | Everett, Wash.    |
| 7 | Conger, John Alexander, EE '22.....   | Nezperce, Idaho   |
| 8 | Zaar, Clarence William, Law '22.....  | Seattle, Wash.    |

9	Loken, Leo Waldemar, BA '23.....	Everett, Wash.
10	Thompson, Nathan Phillips, BA '23.....	Everett, Wash.
11	MacKenzie, Robert Gregor, CE '23.....	Everett, Wash.
12	Braun, Paul John, ME '23.....	Edwall, Wash.
13	Conroy, Edward William, EE '22.....	Anaconda, Mont.
14	Metz, William Willard, BA '23.....	Hatton, Wash.
H 15	Cobb, John Nathan, Dean, College of Fisheries	
		Seattle, Wash.
H 16	Frater, Archibald Wanless, Judge, King Co. Superior Court .....	Seattle, Wash.
17	Williams, William Owen, BA '23.....	Seattle, Wash.
18	Matheson, Roy Grant, BA '21.....	Granum, Alberta
19	Zimmerman, Orville Ralph, BA '22.....	Gresham, Ore.
20	Mattson, Nels Emanael, EE '21.....	Redmond, Wash.
21	Hopkinson, Lawrence Tetley, Fisheries '22	
		Washington, D. C.
22	Smith, William Hamilton, BA '23.....	Tacoma, Wash.
23	Wyers, Teunis James, LA '24.....	White Salmon, Wash.
24	Northquist, Eaver Oscar, ME '21.....	Seattle, Wash.
25	Kohne, Russell Avery, BA '24.....	Everett, Wash.
26	Halverson, Helmer Marvin, BA '23.....	Custer, Wash.
27	Hall, Robert Worthing, Law '23.....	Touchet, Wash.
28	Hooper, Eugene Francis, Law '23.....	Seattle, Wash.
29	MacDonell, Vernon Eugene, CE '23.....	Somers, Mont.
30	Scharr, Freeman Carlyle, LA '23.....	Kalispell, Mont.
31	Harper, Clarence Pheneas, BA '24.....	Culdesac, Idaho
32	Mades, Jacob Allen, BA '24.....	Seattle, Wash.

Following the presentation of the charter from Brother Phillips to Brother Hamack, the newly initiated members held a short business meeting, in which three members were affiliated from Montana Alpha, and the officers of the local organization were re-elected to their respective offices in Washington Beta.

The affiliated men were:

32 A 1	Lautz, Fritz Arthur, BA '22.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
32-A-2	Sweet, Earl Keasling, BA '22.....	Seattle, Wash.
32 A 3	Keeling, Charles Robert, BA '22.....	Somers, Mont.

After a luncheon held in Rogers Banquet room, the pledge oath was administered to the following:

Halverson, Edwin O, 'BA '24.....	Custer, Wash.
Remington, Cecil G., BA '25.....	Selah, Wash.
Tousley, Elmer H, Pharmacy '25.....	Seattle, Wash.

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Strickland, Norman, Pre-Medic '23.....	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Ross, Gordon B., BA '22.....	
Thomas, Roscoe, LA '24.....	Seattle, Wash.
Walker, Richard D., EE '24.....	
Potter, Melburn F., BA '25.....	Seattle, Wash.
Hibbard, Wallace McK., BA '25.....	Seattle, Wash.
Metz, R. Everett, BA '25.....	Post Falls, Idaho
Grewell, Dean M., BA '25.....	
Hillman, G. Kenneth, EE '25.....	Seattle, Wash.
Haggerty, Frank, Law '25.....	
Moser, William, BA '25.....	Bremerton, Wash.



**Installation Committee at Installation of Washington Beta**

On the evening of the fourteenth, the installation banquet was held at Gowman's, in the Washington Annex, in town. Music was furnished by the best orchestra on the campus. Features of the evening were songs by Brother Hesse, and dancing by Brothers Travis and Conger. District Deputy O. E. Draper acted as toastmaster and responses were given by Brother Phillips, for the Grand Chapter; Carl W. Spence and Frank H. Hamack for the Alumni Association, and F. A. Lautz and C. W. Zaar for the new chapter. Judge A. W. Frater, initiated with the new men as an honorary member, charged the members of the chapter to live up to their ideals.



Washington Beta

Pledge Hibbard gave as the ideal of the pledges, the title of Brother in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Words of greeting were given Washington Beta from her sister chapters, as follows:

Washington Alpha.....	L. C. Boggs
Oregon Alpha.....	L. B. Gregg
Montana Alpha.....	E. K. Sweet
California Alpha.....	F. M. Gardner
Colorado Alpha.....	Dr. A. H. Heaton
Kansas Alpha.....	C. W. Spence
Virginia Alpha.....	W. L. Phillips
District of Columbia Alpha.....	F. H. Hamack
Minnesota Alpha.....	H. E. Shillock
Ohio Gamma.....	F. W. Balyeat

After the banquet, all adjourned to a nearby bowling alley, in response to a custom inaugurated the previous year at the banquet given the local by the alumni association. "Billy" Phillips surprised himself by gaining the highest score of the evening.

The installing committee consisted of:

W. L. Phillips, Grand Secretary.....	Virginia Alpha
F. H. Hamack.....	D. C. Alpha
L. C. Boggs.....	Washington Alpha
W. A. Ness.....	Washington Alpha
V. O. Hesse.....	Oregon Alpha
L. B. Gregg.....	Oregon, Alpha
E. B. Scotton.....	Oregon Alpha
O. M. Hazen.....	Oregon Alpha
H. E. Shillock.....	Minnesota Alpha
E. K. Sweet.....	Montana Alpha
F. A. Lautz.....	Montana Alpha
C. R. Keeling.....	Montana Alpha
C. W. Spence.....	Kansas Alpha
R. S. Holgerson.....	Washington Alpha
O. E. Draper.....	Washington Alpha
H. O. Lisle.....	Washington Alpha
F. M. Gardner.....	California Alpha
Basil Jerard .....	Washington Alpha

A fitting finale to the installation of Washington Beta Chapter was the Installation Dance, a formal affair, given in the same rooms the banquet had been given in. This dance was held the evening of January 20th, and was attended by

some fifty couples. Programs were of the nature of leather card cases, engraved with the fraternity crest, and the individual names. Silver bracelets, engraved with the Greek letters Sigma Phi Epsilon, were given as favors. Uniform corsages of violets and American Beauty roses were worn by all the ladies. Many of the members of the Alumni Association attended, and declared the affair equal to any they had ever attended.

### HISTORY OF GAMMA SIGMA

During the summer of 1919, Hayward William Hopkinson of Washington Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, so inspired his brother, Lawrence Tetley Hopkinson with the idea of fraternities and their true meaning, that this younger brother, who was attending the University of Washington in Seattle, resolved to gather from among his associates and friends at the university, a group which would be suitable to establish a local fraternity.

This work of organization and finance Hopkinson carried on with much helpful advice from his brother, until December, by which time he had a nucleus of twenty men around which to build the organization.

In looking about for a chapter house, this group found in the old residence of a former university president, a house well adapted to their needs. An option on this house was procured for fifty dollars, and was taken up by a two and a half year lease, signed after the holidays.

The object in the formation of this group had been, from the beginning, to petition a national fraternity. Due to the influence of Lawrence Hopkinson, and due also to the fact that three members of Sigma Phi Epsilon, all of whom expressed their willingness to aid the local, were found on the campus, it took but little consideration for the group to incorporate as its purpose the petitioning of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The matter of a name for the local was next under discussion. After considering many possibilities, the choice fell upon the name "Gamma Sigma."

On the sixth of January, 1920, the first recorded meeting of Gamma Sigma was held in the future chapter house, at 4525

15th Avenue N. E. At this meeting officers were elected. John D. Sullivan, of Montana Alpha, was chosen president until the organization should decide on a member of the local for the position.

House furnishing to the value of twenty-seven hundred dollars were purchased on the installment plan with initial payments of four hundred dollars. These furnishings included kitchen and dining room equipment, study and dining tables and chairs, a piano, a leather davenport, twelve double-decked beds, dressers, oak library table and chairs for the living rooms, and curtains and draperies.



Living Room, Washington Beta Chapter House

Meals were first served in the furnished house on the fourteenth of January, just two years before the local was installed as a chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The Constitution and By-Laws, house rules and ritual of initiation were prepared by Fritz A. Lautz, and John D. Sullivan of Montana Alpha, and Edwin J. Draper, of Colorado Alpha, the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon who allied themselves with Gamma Sigma at its inception.

During the following months until the close of school the work of organization continued, while the house was getting on a good basis on the campus and among its creditors.

Once during this period the existence of the organization was threatened when the house was quarantined for scarlet fever, contracted by one of the brothers. Fortunately the quarantine was lifted in a few days, and the lost time was easily made up.

With the opening of the following school year in October, 1920, Gamma Sigma faced its first rushing season, when it



**Entrance Hall, Washington Beta Chapter House**

was placed in active competition to twenty-one national fraternities and one well-established local. Notwithstanding the serious handicaps, some good men were pledged, though it was soon found that the organization could get better material by rushing after the active season was over. This latter policy was pursued throughout the year.

O. E. Draper of Washington Alpha Chapter, came to the university in October as instructor in business administration. Following an invitation from Gamma Sigma, he moved into

the house and by his advice, greatly aided in shaping the development of the local for the whole year.

In November work was started on the formal petition to Sigma Phi Epsilon. Fritz A. Lautz was made editor, and in February produced the petition at the low cost of four hundred dollars, thus meriting high approval.

Members of the Puget Sound Alumni Association of Sigma Phi Epsilon urged on the chapters of which they were members the acceptance of this petition, and were greatly responsible for the quick action taken.

During the year sixteen hundred dollars worth of new furniture was purchased. This included an overstuffed davenport, additional beds and dressers, carpets and rugs, china replacements, and a new dining table.

On the first of October, 1921, word was received from the Grand Secretary that Gamma Sigma's petition had been granted and that the chapter would be installed after the Conclave. Immediately on receipt of this news, installation plans were started and monthly assessments levied to meet the expenses which were estimated at twelve hundred dollars.

Due to added experience and the weight of a year's accomplishments, the 1921 rushing season was more successful than that of the previous year. Fourteen men were pledged, all of whom showed excellent promise.

House building plans were discussed and one chosen to go into effect after installation.

Throughout the quarter, the entire thought of every member of Gamma Sigma was centered on January 14, 1922, the date set for the installation of Washington Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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#### PUGET SOUND ALUMNI SPONSOR WASHINGTON BETA

By Frank H. Hamack

D. C. Alpha

The opportunity to write a few words concerning the Installation of Washington Beta, and the Initiation of the men of Gamma Sigma into the mysteries of Sigma Phi Epsilon, is a rare privilege, and a most pleasant one. More pleasant, perhaps, because to me the few days I spent in the work, to-

gether with the other brothers in Sigma Phi Epsilon, marked one of the most pleasant and interesting chapters of my own life.

But little need be said of the full souled effort of Puget Sound Alumni to put a chapter of our fraternity on the campus of the University of Washington, and it is little wonder that these same alumni wore a look of genuine pleasure, of ultimate contentment, as the banner was unfurled in Seattle and our fraternity went into the battle of this campus in real Sigma Phi Epsilon fashion.

The twelfth of January, being a rather cool Thursday, the brothers alumni took to the indoors in an effort to bring their temperatures to a degree higher than that of the snow and wind outside. Some sort of exercise was needed and the worthy bodies Gamma Sigma proved a fitting and proper medicine ball upon which to vent the big paddle and set the wild echoes flying.

One needs but to remember the arraignment of the goats in front of the fireplace to bubble forth into laughter—the laughter that has sounded around the world, wherever the banner of Sigma Phi Epsilon has been flung.

Friday the thirteenth arrived, not unlike its reputation—cool and windy. After decorations were placed, only a short while elapsed, when the first brother of Washington Beta was brought into the fold.

The ensuing hours of ritualistic initiation will never be forgotten, either by the brothers of Washington Beta, or those of other chapters who had the great pleasure and privilege of leading them into the sacred halls.

The luncheon Friday evening at Rogers put spice into the old and brought the spirit rampant to the new brothers—for an evening yet remained. The initiation was resumed and the men went through like clock work. The next day, Saturday, marked the close of the work.

Everyone was happy,—the new brothers because they at last had reaped the harvest of the seeds of hard work and endeavor they had sown during the past two years; the old brothers because they had carried on the initiation in true Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit, in a highly efficient manner and reflecting great credit on the Puget Sound Alumni Association of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The alumni don't like to blow their own horns a whole lot, but—well, you can't blame them this once; "Billy"

Phillips, our worthy and loved Grand Secretary, put it thus: "This is the first installation I have attended, and I've been at most of them, where I didn't have to do about 90% of the work" (I agree—the hardest work he did was down at the bowling alley after the banquet). "Rah for Billy" say the Alumni; they wanted him to see a real chapter of good men at Washington; he did: but also they wanted him to see a real live bunch of Alumni; he saw them, and his words speak well of the fact. We hope he will always cherish this trip among the memories of the many he has taken in the interests of Sigma Phi Epsilon.



Section of Campus of University of Washington

The initiation was followed by installation; the election of officers; lecture, etc. Pictures were taken, and I understand that even here the "old ones" outdid themselves.

Night found us at the banquet, where let it be said true Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit ran rampant; song was unleashed, and the tongue loosened. From the stories of the dignified and elderly Judge Frater, through the gingerly talk of the youngest goat, the banquet went through in great fashion—but—well, let the active chapter tell about that.

Sitting as a jury, our verdict was: ONE OF THE BEST WEEK ENDS WE HAVE EVER SPENT;

SETTING SENTENCE: We all concurred in an imprisonment of LIFE SUCCESS FOR WASHINGTON BETA.

# The Conclave in Retrospect

## THE ELEVENTH CONCLAVE

All promises were exceeded by the Des Moines Conclave and it goes down in fraternity annals as one of the greatest of Conclaves. The Iowa men layed themselves out to show delegates and visitors how they can do it over in the corn-fed state and the silent vote of the Conclave as well as noisy vote of thanks and appreciation at the close was that the Eleventh Conclave was a tremendous success from every point of view.

The three days of glorious associations came to an end in the large ballroom of the Savery Hotel after an evening's entertainment and just prior to the departure of the eastern delegates for Chicago where they were the guests of the Chicago Alumni Chapter at its New Year's Eve frolic. For a half hour the brothers from east and west, from north and south, mingled together saying their last farewells to those whom three days before they had not met but whom, after the labors and associations of the Conclave, they had grown to love as life long friends and brothers. Despite the pleasurable associations and events of the three days, the leave taking of the last night was pervaded with feeling almost of sadness as the closest and most enjoyable of bonds were about to be severed. It took much time to say the farewells and extend the last admonitions. And thus ended an event in the history of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

It is not possible here to give anything like a complete recount of the events of the Conclave. There was food for comment for many days on the part of the delegates who returned to the chapters with their messages from Des Moines. No delegate who attended but profited from the experience. Many Iowa Sig Eps other than delegates made good use of the opportunity to attend meetings, rub elbows with brethren from distant states and absorb the spirit of fraternalism that pervaded the Conclave crowd.

It was not exclusively a Conclave of pleasure. Rare as was the entertainment, everywhere very much appreciated, the outstanding feature of the Conclave was the work accomplished. At another place in this issue mention will be made of some of these things. Suffice it here to say that there was

much earnest, thoughtful work; much meritorious and enlightening discussion and a general cooperative spirit, devoid of jealousies, working for the good of the cause. Not that there were not rivalries, both in the work accomplished and politically, but these were placed below the good of the fraternity. It was a great Conclave and the fraternity hat is off to the Des Moines men who put it over.

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### HOW THEY DID IT

Des Moines has a reputation as a convention city and accustomed to entertainment. The Sig Eps of that village must have a liberal representation upon the committees entrusted with the business of entertaining. Their work in entertaining the Conclave proves them experienced in the business. The unanimous vote of the delegates was that they had been treated to a rare three days and felt deeply indebted to the Des Moines men who showed such excellent hospitality.

We do not mean to say that the boys were not able to do some little entertaining themselves. Where, we wonder, could one find, say, a score of Sig Eps thrown together and have them other than enjoy each other's company? This was in evidence the night before the Conclave opened. Delegates were arriving from all sections of the country. The hotel register displayed any number of Greek letters designating our fraternity and Sig Ep pins loomed thick throughout the hotel lobby. These men who were then meeting for the first time felt themselves far from strangers. They immediately went into informal sessions and fast friendships were almost instantly struck up. Fraternity legislation was discussed on all sides, information as to chapters was exchanged, new ideas advanced and discussed and, later on, relationships grew even more social. It is hinted that the two good dames, Fortune and Bacchus, were flirted with to some extent before the evening was over but the editorial staff is not in a position to say as to this.

The Conclave got under way Wednesday morning, December 28th, at a reasonable hour. Contrary to the situation at Indianapolis when the Conclave almost failed to open for lack of an opening prayer, the Iowa men had a brother of the cloth on hand to give the prayer, after which credentials were

examined and reported, delegates granted their seats in the Conclave and business began. The Grand President then called for the submission of the resolutions and after the appointment of the committees and assignment of the resolutions to the proper committees the session adjourned until evening. The afternoon was utilized in threshing out the resolutions in the various committees and much proposed legislation was disposed of at the evening session.

Due to plans for work during the evening no arrangements were made for entertainment. The brothers found opportunity for supplying plenty of entertainment, however, after the business session adjourned. Some went out to theatres, while many remained in the hotel entering into group discussions. There had been sufficient "food for thought" raised in the evening session to provoke discussion among all members.

The second day was a day of hard work. The Committee on Constitution was not able to submit its report on which a great amount of work had been given, but all other committees practically finished their reports.

The evening was given over to frivolity of a high order. The schedule was a banquet at 6 o'clock and a formal ball following at 9 o'clock. The banquet was held in the ball room of the Fort Des Moines Hotel, Conclave headquarters, and all delegates and a great many Iowa brothers attended. During the courses Dutch Schmidt's incomparable entertainers with their dancing, singing and other music kept things moving. And not the least of the entertainment was an appearance by Dutch Schmidt himself—voted by all to be the rarest of entertainers. The aesthetic dancing of Mrs. Schmidt—the "Duchess"—contributed much toward the success of the banquet as did the "sax" playing of Brother Breitenstein.

At the conclusion of the dinner Paul Cunningham of the Des Moines hosts arose and presiding as toastmaster called upon members of the executive committee and several others for impromptu remarks. The banquet ended at 9 o'clock, the assembly emerging from the ball room upon the messanine floor to find a swarm of Iowa's fairest daughters in waiting as partners for the dance. Girls, there were, to fit every order and it was a busy half hour while the brothers rambled amid the bevy of femininity, making their appraisals and selections.

It did not take long to get the ball room cleared of the banquet tables and the dance started about 9:30. The music was excellent, as was the floor, and the decorations worthy of remark. The inimitable Dutch was responsible for a lighting device that made the room most attractive. It consisted of a hugh ball suspended from the ceiling covered with a myriad of mirror facets. As the ball slowly revolved, the colored lights thrown on it from three spot lights caused innumerable flecks of color to be thrown in all directions. With no other light in the ball room this made a beautiful effect.

After the first dance each girl was presented with a corsage made up of the fraternity flowers, roses and violets. Refreshments were served at one end of the ball room as well as in Parlor H, referred to in another place. Not until the wee sma' hours did the party come to an end; in fact, at 5 o'clock Dutch and the Duchess together with not an inconsiderable party, put on a sub-party in the grill of the hotel and Dutch was abroad, fresh as usual, when the Conclave opened the next morning at 9 o'clock.

The Friday session was largely given over to the report of the Committee on Constitution. Some sweeping changes in the Constitution were recommended by this committee and the report by Chairman Dippold of the Chicago Alumni Chapter ran well into the noon hour. The big work of the Conclave was done by this committee and it was recognized by the delegates that the recommendations of the committee were meritorious in a high degree. Overwhelming approval of the changes made was voiced and the amendments of the Constitution are now up to the active members for ratification.

The business of the Conclave was closed Friday noon and the session adjourned until mid afternoon when, aside from a few minor matters, the election of officers was the principal thing of interest. The present executive committee was re-elected, returning F. J. Knauss of Denver, Grand President; W. H. Eastman of Milwaukee, Grand Vice President; W. L. Phillips of Richmond, Grand Secretary; Frank G. Louthan of Richmond, Grand Treasurer; Charles S. Becker of Indianapolis, Grand Historian, and Clifford B. Scott of O'Neill, Nebraska, Grand Guard.

In addition to the officers above mentioned, by action of the Conclave in amending the Constitution, subject to ratification by the active chapters, two new offices were created

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with places on the executive committee. The new offices are two grand marshalls to which honors O. E. Draper of Seattle and A. P. Dippold of Chicago were elected provisionally.

At the close of the election several rousing speeches were made by various members, invitations extended to visitors by representatives of alumni organizations and the expression of a general good feeling. The Conclave came to an official end late in the afternoon with an unofficial function scheduled for the evening in Dutch Schmidt's masculine entertainment at the Savery Hotel.

We wish we might give some extended space to this closing event. Nothing that might be said here could do it justice. There was much variety: wrestling, boxing, music and —yes, as we remember it, there was some dancing. The athletic program was spirited and interesting, the music most harmonious and the dancing—oo la la! Ze dancing was superb. We must pass the buck to your delegate.

The Chicago delegation boarded their train for the east at about 10:30 in the evening; those bound for the west, for the most part, left during the night. A great re-union, jollification and labor of profit to the fraternity was at an end.

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### CONCLAVE LEGISLATION

It will not be possible here to give more than meagre mention to a few of the most important acts of the Conclave. Each chapter will later receive the detailed minutes of the Conclave and not only can each legislative change be studied but the reasons for all action taken can be had from the discussions.

The most important change was the amendments to the Constitution which represent some very careful work on the part of the Committee on Constitution. By the time these pages are read all chapters will have received copies of the amendments and these remarks will be trite to all but subscribers not in touch with active or alumni chapters. Suffice it to say that the amendments to the Constitution create a larger Executive Committee and vest in it broader powers and greater discretion. Two new offices were created: two grand marshalls. The Executive Committee of the fraternity now



1. Pat Cunningham	7. F. E. Hooper	13. H. M. Coe	19. C. H. Freark
2. C. J. Schmidt	8. -----	14. L. D. Shuter	20. C. R. Spiller
3. R. Stephens	9. C. H. Yocom	15. A. C. Wahl	21. J. C. Pickett
4. W. Smith	10. R. W. Cowlin	16. R. A. Galbraith	22. W. H. Beck, Jr.
5. H. Wright	11. R. Hildebrand	17. J. E. Cronshore	23. E. F. Lenthe
6. Wr Williams	12. -----	18. -----	24. H. B. Eckey





Sigma Pi Epsilon Fraternity  
Des Moines, Iowa

PART OF THE DELEGATES AND VISITORS AT THE DES MOINES CONCLAVE

1. Wm. Birmingham	7. F. E. Hooper	13. H. M. Cox	19. C. H. Frear	25. R. V. Abbott	31. D. English	37. A. Wenke	43.	49. Hearn Swink	55. E. E. Antebi	61. L. Tipton	67. F. E. Coursen	73. W. L. Phillips	79. Frank
2. E. S. Jordahl	8. F. J. Johnson	14. L. D. Shuter	20. C. H. Spiller	26. A. P. Dippold	32. R. S. Bell	38. H. Ahrendoth	44.	50. J. E. Woodward	56. J. E. Woodward	62. L. Mortensen	68. H. W. Ondendahl	74. A. H. Roberts, Jr.	80. M. B. Stad
3. W. G. Smith	9. F. H. Yost	15. A. P. Wahl	21. J. C. Pickert	27. S. C. Daugherty	33. J. E. McFarland	39. C. R. Scott	45.	51. P. Van Domelen	57. A. Glendenning	63. K. Hayes	69. F. K. Hamlin	75. J. A. Miller	81. G. A. Turner
4. H. W. Wright	10. R. W. Franklin	16. R. A. Gilbraith	22. W. H. Beck, Jr.	28. John Barr	34. O. E. Draper	40. H. W. Holm	46.	52. G. L. Bowen	58. W. Rice	64. J. H. Marsh	70. F. P. Moore	76. H. O. Hay	82. H. D. Ivey
5. H. R. Heidebrand	11. R. H. Heidebrand	17. J. E. Proutshorn	23. K. P. Lenthe	29. F. S. Goetz	35. Marcus	41. A. B. Stoen	47.	53. H. L. Breitenstein	59. T. H. Neet	65. H. Goodrich	71. C. S. Becker	77. H. W. Thompson	83. E. D. Ivey
6. W. Williams	12. R. H. Heidebrand	18. H. B. Decker	24. H. B. Decker	30. W. Riddelsberger	36. P. J. Knaue	42. R. A. Schakel	48.	54. Harry Clark	60. C. H. Sterkelund	66. M. Alford	72. W. H. Eastman	78. D. E. McKenna	84. W. G. Haas



consists, subject to ratification of the amendments to the Constitution, of the Grand President, Grand Vice-President, Grand Secretary, Grand Historian, Grand Guard and two Grand Marshalls—seven in all. The amendments are so drawn as to clothe the executive committee with power to foster a plan of fraternity house building, although no power is delegated to do this upon the financial responsibility of the Grand Chapter.

Another office was created that should be of great value to the fraternity. This is the office of traveling secretary, for which a man will be selected by the Executive Committee. The purpose in this legislation is to secure a man who will spend his whole time in the field in active touch with the chapters and who will be able to work with each chapter a certain amount of time each year. It is believed that this will do much to bring sub-standard chapters to the average level and bring all into a more cohesive organization.

Action was taken absolutely forbidding membership in Theta Nu Epsilon, Kappa Beta Phi and like organizations, membership in which may be inconsistent with the principles of Sigma Phi Epsilon. This follows the action of practically all of the national fraternities. National leaders of all fraternities have recognized the fact that Theta Nu Epsilon is largely responsible for most anti-fraternity legislation and its aims and principles are not in harmony with those of our fraternity. There is no other action that our fraternity could have taken on this matter—right and proper as it is.

The charter fee for subordinate chapters was raised to \$250.00, which will include the traveling expenses of one grand officer to the installation. This is designed to equalize the installation expense for all chapters regardless of geographical location and to put a slightly higher premium on a charter so that it will not be sought by fly-by-night organizations. Debate disclosed that this fee is not unusually high or low in comparison to that of other fraternities but is, seemingly, fair.

Alumni chapters are made equal in every respect to the subordinate chapters by an amendment to the Constitution which removed the old provision limiting the vote of alumni chapters, irrespective of the number of chapters represented in the Conclave, to one-fourth of that of the subordinate chapters. With the rapid growth of alumni chapters and the desire to bring experienced alumni thought into the active

management of the fraternity, this change was received with much enthusiasm.

The creation of alumni dues was an action taken that will be of far reaching effect. It was provided that alumni may be assessed dues not exceeding \$5.00 per annum. By unofficial agreement it seems that these dues will be fixed at \$3.00 per annum. The alumni dues will cover the year's subscription to the Journal. There is elsewhere in this issue further mention regarding this matter.

Certain action was taken in regard to fraternity jewelry and jewelers. J. F. Newman & Company were dropped from the list of official jewelers as the result of accusations of inferior service. Newman representatives will be permitted for a short time to sell such badges and other jewelry, exclusive to our own fraternity, as they may have on hand. The Executive Committee was empowered to appoint a successor to Newman. Action of the Conclave limited the jeweling of badges to diamonds and pearls or both. It was construed by the body as a whole that plain badges without jewels may still be purchased but that the multi-colored settings and those of vivid hues are a thing of the past. It was also made an offense on the part of any chapter, subject to a fine of from \$10.00 to \$50.00, to purchase badges or fraternity jewelry from any but official jewelers. This does not include novelties, which may be purchased of anyone. Royalties from official jewelers have been a source of large revenues to the fraternity and the action taken is to prevent the loss of these revenues through chapters which pay little attention to whom they buy from. The Journal carries the advertising of all of our official jewelers. Ascertain who they are.

Action of the Conclave set the time for the next Conclave during the Holidays, immediately following Christmas, in 1923. The city will later be selected by the Executive Committee. Invitations were received from alumni organizations and chambers of commerce in more than a dozen different cities.

Many of the enactments mentioned above are Constitutional changes which, while they passed the Conclave practically unanimously in all cases, do not become amendments until two-thirds of the subordinate and alumni chapters have ratified them. The unanimity of views and enthusiasm with which these changes were adopted, however, augur well for their adoption.

## EVEN BILLY PHILLIPS WALKED THE DOG

Opening with a reception in the South Parlors of the Auditorium Hotel at 7:30 o'clock, New Year's Eve, the party given by the Chicago Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon in honor of the Delegates and Grand Officers returning from the eleventh bi-annual Conclave at Des Moines, Iowa, kept nearly one hundred and fifty people in a state of merriment until the break of the next day. Official statistics show that twenty-two Delegates and three Grand officers were present as guests. Following the reception, a banquet lasting two hours was held, during which the toastmaster, Evans E. Plummer, Indiana Alpha '21, called for short speeches from Grand Vice-President W. H. Eastman, Grand Secretary William L. Phillips, Grand Marshall Albert P. Dippold, president of the Chicago Chapter, and Lambert B. Penhallow, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Humorous aspects were introduced by the toastmaster, who before introducing the first speaker, Grand Vice-President Eastman, called for his "stop watch", which, when brought to him proved to be an alarm clock. Brother Plummer, officiating as toastmaster, gave each speaker three minutes in which to tell his story. The "stop watch" only rang once, just before Brother Eastman had finished telling about the important measures considered at the Conclave and the big things planned for the future. The remaining speakers stayed within the time limit.

During the banquet, favors, consisting of small silver lead pencils engraved with the letters ΣΦΕ, were distributed to the ladies present.

Following the banquet, dancing was started in the Auditorium ball room to the strains of music furnished by the Jumbo Jesters orchestra of Evanston, Illinois. The seven lads dressed as clowns, lived well up to their names and syncopated bars and measures of music slanderously. During the dance, two entertainment features were presented, one being the "Valtse Romantique" by Zornia Marinova, and the other the "Torreador Dance" by Harriet Campbell. Both young ladies are members of the Chicago Grand Opera Ballet School.

Midnight and the birth of the New Year was marked by the distribution of confetti, balloons, paper caps and horns. The millenium could not have caused more confusion. Every-

one was throwing confetti and trying to burst the other fellow's balloon. About three or four hours (our correspondent couldn't read time on his watch for some reason) after 1922 had become merely a question of getting accustomed to writing it on the letterhead, the stragglers disbanded. Suffice to say, 'a good time was had by all.'

The committee largely responsible for the success of the entertainment, the registration and care of the guests, and the many other details, was comprised as follows:

L. B. Penhallow, Chairman of Committee; E. E. Plummer, Secretary of Committee; Dr. J. A. Bloomfield, Percy H. Caris, Dr. F. G. Carls, A. B. Carter, Lt. Colonel Frank Deacon, Dr. O. Hawkinson, Dr. I. F. Hoffman, W. L. Jackson, H. M. McCargar, D. L. Mink, Arthur Olsen, H. W. Penhallow, Prof. H. D. Taft, I. W. Turnquist.

A ladies' auxiliary committee which assisted the entertainment arrangements was composed of Mrs. Albert P. Dippold, Mrs. Percy H. Carass, and Mrs. I. F. Hoffman.

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### SOME OF OUR "WHO IS WHO'S"

Those present at the Des Moines Conclave will admit that the alumni representatives were a force that had much to do with the success of the Conclave. Take for instance the genial Southerner, Chick Woodward—we hate to be so formal as to make it John E. Wrecks and delayed trains brought him to the Conclave a bit late but by the last day he surely had got up momentum and was going full speed. With his open hand, pleasing smile and friendly manner he was one whom the delegates (if we may use the Southern metaphor) cottoned to. But then he is an old hand at Conclaves. It is second nature to him.

There was A. P. Dippold, the representative of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, who made a great many friends during the three days. "Dip", in his blithe college years, was one of the stalwarts of New York Beta. He hails from the Windy City where he pilots the alumni ship in his idle hours when he isn't laying up fame and fortune in the architectural profession. He is a quiet, earnest worker who will add much to the fraternity while on the Executive Committee.

Then there was a Westerner with a well knit frame who quietly mingled among the delegates passing out suggestions that were always found well worth listening to. Bingham was his name, representing our largest alumni chapter located in Denver. At the close of the Conclave "Bing" became fired with emotion and broke loose in a flood of oratory that drew forth a great wave of applause at his close. And "Dutch" Schmidt was a force in the Conclave. Though not a delegate nor with any voice in the Conclave let it not be thought that as a lobbyist he has many equals. He is another whose heart is in the right place and is working for the good of the cause.

A. C. Wahl of Des Moines, who was appointed as the District Deputy for his district, is a man whom delegates enjoyed meeting and who added his part to the success of the Conclave. As a successful Des Moines banker, Wahl saved the situation at the close by getting the delegates' checks cashed and thereby earned himself no little gratitude on the part of the sorely pressed, financially. There were many of that class, too, we might add.

We must not forget E. D. Ivey of Georgia Alpha, at one time, but now a prominent architect of Atlanta. "Ed" is another old and experienced Conclave man whose voice and opinions were frequently heard with profit. He is District Deputy of his district.

There were many, many others whom we should like to mention but cannot. They were a great crowd and their influence left one with the feeling that there is a worthwhileness about such a meeting that is a bit beyond one's power to relate.

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#### **BY THE WAY**

At every Conclave there is a center of attraction. It is that place where the bars are let down, where kindred spirits commune and where the brothers meet on common footing of understanding and appreciation. This center of attraction is not the center of gravity; far from it. It is a place where the elder brethren with elongated physiognomies can step in, renew their youth and revive their drooping spirits. It is the haven of the wearied brother who was up most of the preceding night and whose lamp is flickering low. It is a refuge

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from the arduous labors of the daily sessions. At Des Moines it was Parlor G. Again, we must refer you to your delegate.

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When Dutch Schmidt informed the boys that he had a boy of twenty-eight months and a girl of twenty-three many of the boys furtively scratched their scalps and wondered if they had gone wrong on their physiology or their arithmetic. But when they met the charming, golden haired Duchess the night of the dance the mystery was solved.

And speaking of the Duchess, the thanks of the Conclave were due her for her excellent dancing at the banquet and for her skill at the dance in making the boys all feel at home. And by the way, one southern brother took her in tow, danced her and whispered sweet nothings in her ear for a fair share of the evening, not knowing she had had the words said over her and had a boy of twenty-eight months and another one of thirty-two!

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On the night of the dance the scenes were shifted—just a wee bit. Parlor G was pushed over to Parlor H and became the first aid station for all exhausted dancers. Doctor English was in charge of the contingent, assisted by several worthy and experienced brothers in the art of first aid.

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The second session was opened with some African dialogue by Dutch. The piece de resistance was the narration of the piccolo player. It was a good lubricant for the machinery of the Conclave in grinding that session's grist.

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He—"Have you kissed the bride?"

Him—"Well, not lately."—Gargoyle.

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### WHICH?

He was standing in the parlor  
And he said unto the light,  
"Either you or I, old fellow,  
Will be turned down tonight."—Awgwan.

## Our Two New Officers

To the two new offices created by the amendment of the Constitution at the Des Moines Conclave were elected Albert D. Dippold of Chicago and Oscar E. Draper of Seattle who will take their places, upon ratification of the Constitutional amendments, as Grand Marshalls and members of the Executive Committee of the fraternity.



**Albert P. Dippold**

Brother Dippold was born April 4, 1889, in Chicago. He graduated from Crane Technical School in 1908. While at Crane he was manager of the school publication and of the basketball and baseball teams. After graduating from Crane he studied two years in an architect's office, and then entered Cornell University, from which school he was graduated in 1914 with an architect's degree. He was the manager of "The Cornell Era" and of the Lacrosse team which won the intercollegiate championship. He passed the Illinois state

examination to license architects and opened an office in Chicago on the South Side in 1914. Since then he has opened another office down town.

Dippold is a member of Delta Theta Phi, law fraternity, American Institute of Architects, Illinois Society of Architects, President Chicago Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon and a member of several political, commercial and social clubs.

Dippold is engaged in a general architectural practice. He has designed and erected buildings for The Central Union



**O. E. Draper**

Telephone Company, The Illinois Bell Telephone Company, The Ohio Bell Telephone Company, The Indiana Bell Telephone Company, Ford Motor Company, Stutz Motor Company, Republic Truck Company, Winslow Brothers Ornamental Iron Company, Isko Refrigerator Company and other prominent corporations and individuals. Notwithstanding an extensive practice in industrial building Brother Dippold takes just as much pleasure and interest in preparing plans for a friend's bungalow as he does in the larger sphere of the work.

In 1916 Brother Dippold was married to Frances Salisbury and has a son, Charles Salisbury.

It is regretted that further details cannot be given at this time concerning O. E. Draper, the other Grand Marshall to be elected at Des Moines. A biography of Brother Draper went astray before reaching the editor. Brother Draper was initiated as a member of Washington Alpha and will be, as he has recently been, a sponsor for Washington Beta in the University of Washington at Seattle. Draper is a member of the University of Washington faculty, being an accountant by profession and an instructor in the Business Administration department of the university. For thirteen years he has been in school work, seven of which were at the Washington State College at Pullman, Wash. For four years he was an instructor in Ellensburg State Normal School, where he carried the double responsibility of head of the department of Business Administration and of the business office of the school. For the past two years he has served as District Deputy of District Number 9, embracing the chapters in Montana, Washington and Oregon.

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Charley Becker, the genial but forceful Grand Historian, says that since the Conclave he feels like the fabled lady that lived in a shoe and had so many children she didn't know what to do. The children in the case are the numerous chapters petitioning him to adopt them and act as their foster financial parent. Each mail brings a certain number of letters the tenor of which are, "Tell us how to run our fraternity."

Charley says he is just a bit disappointed in the fact that the delegates didn't leave Des Moines with a better understanding of the system than is indicated by some letters. But he is willing to vend any information desired if, thereby, the old fraternal ship may ride a bit higher on the financial waves. Elsewhere in this issue appear rough details of the plan which every member should familiarize himself with.

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#### HIM DID

Him held her little hand in hisn,  
Him's little heart was simply sizzin',  
And when her did not draw it back  
Him knowed that hern was hisn.—Awgwan.

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## What Type of Man Shall We Choose?

### An Inquiry Into Eligibility for Fraternity Membership.

There are, in this world, three classes of men: good men, average men and incompetent men. The individual falls into his proper class, to a large degree, irrespective of his own volition. The laws of eugenics are inexorable. Year after year we have flooded our country with the riff-raff of Europe speciously arguing that we should in due time absorb them and democratize them. Not until the stress of war showed large percentages of them in their true colors; not until scientists, thinkers and, finally, leaders awoke to their senses and realized the danger did we arrive at the conclusion that we could not elevate these classes but that they should drag us down did we not close the bars to the influx. It has been proved that while a species may be bred up by inter-breeding, it is more easily bred downward. The scrub animal bred with a thoroughbred results in a product inferior to the thoroughbred.

Much the same is true of the social strata of our every day life. It is difficult to raise the standard and qualities of the college man from those instilled in him by his eighteen or twenty years of home environment. Human qualities result from the home. Four years in college can not offset those deepest rooted qualities of one's younger acquisitive years. It is not hard to lose desirable qualities but it is difficult to acquire them. The desirable are the result of careful schooling and long continued effort; the undesirable are the result of following the easier course.

The fraternity is confronted with the problem each year of selecting men for its membership. It has two considerations: a certain responsibility to its own chapter and the added responsibility to the fraternity at large,—to every one of the thousands of members who wear the badge of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Of the two responsibilities the second should weigh the heavier. Every chapter stands in relation to every other in a position of trust. California Alpha reposes a trust in New Hampshire Alpha, for example, that the latter shall extend its membership only to men of the highest type who

have been selected after painstaking inquiry and investigation—men whom they can freely take into their own homes as brothers with a sense of security in the fact that they are gentlemen with all that the word implies. Every chapter demands this much of every other chapter.

It has been said, and not without some truth, that the tendency of a young fraternity with limited traditions is for each chapter to consider itself as all important,—that the fraternity at large, as a composite thing, is of secondary importance. Perhaps we were fortunate in getting off on the right foot in this respect. There has been a gratifying degree of mutual consideration in evidence among our chapters. But the far-sighted members of our fraternity are not satisfied with the degree of care exercised by the chapters in choosing their pledges. No fraternity is wholly satisfied with its status, no doubt, and we are frank to state that we are not. We are proud of our record but not satisfied with it.

What fraternity is there that has not to some extent taken its members from the varying social strata? Doubtless all of them have aimed to select only the good men and have chosen many average men and not a few incompetents. Has it been due to lack of understanding of the differences in these strata, as we have chosen to call them? Has it been that we have failed to appreciate the value of the cultured home—using the word “culture” here in its broader acceptation?

A specific instance may be mentioned that will illustrate the point. A certain man was considered for membership in one of our chapters. He did not pledge to any fraternity during his freshman year. But he proved himself to be a political genius, organizing the student body of his university in a manner to place great power in his hands. In addition to being a splendid leader he was bright, energetic, and of no mean oratorical ability. But he had his drawbacks. He was the only child of a father that had died a drunkard and a mother who possessed an unsavory reputation. He had grown up upon the streets of a fair sized town. Some native ability had taken him through high school and to college. He lacked refinement, was noisy and egotistical but a man of undisputed ability. His family history was elicited only after he had been urged for membership in our chapter located in that university. It had been argued that his personal mannerisms would give way before the refining processes of fraternity life.

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It may be considered fortunate for the fraternity that membership was denied him. While, in ability he ranked higher than the majority of the chapter, let us say, he lacked that quality that is at the root of fraternalism—gentility. It is not sheer ability upon which our membership is to be based. If so our numbers should soon flavor of a Jewish strain (and no disparagement to that race) with a sprinkling of Asiatics, Negroes and other nationalities. The keynote of fraternalism is a certain harmony of spirit that may only be engendered among men classifiable under that much improperly used term, "gentlemen." There must be the deep seated respect of man for man that results from good breeding. There must be that mutual appreciation of certain finer values in life that only goes with careful training in the home. The home of wealth is not the home referred to. Wealth is not a criterion of the value of any family in the social scheme. The type of home referred to is the home of culture, refinement and gentility.

It is seldom, indeed, that strong and compelling friendships result between men of different social strata. In the nature of things this is not possible. Perhaps it is a divergence of views of certain fundamental values in life that is responsible. Be what it may, when two classes of men can not form deep and abiding friendships of the most compelling kind what chance is there of developing the subtle quality of fraternalism in an association of these diverging classes?

Is there here a lack of democracy on the part of one class? Shall it be said that it is a violation of the spirit of democracy that the man of refinement shall develop a lack of enthusiasm for the man who violates the niceties of etiquette at the table, who fails to observe in his associations those canons of usage that, at root, are based upon consideration for the rights of others and suppression of egotistic impulses? Our fraternity should at no time withdraw its association with men lacking in these qualities; it should meet them on common terms and lends its influence in their interests as well as its own. But it is not demanded of our fraternity that we shall take into our membership these men who have no regard for these qualities that comprise a part of our demands in a man. We abhor snobbery. At the same time, we have due regard for the niceties of usage—let us go further and call them the refinements of civilization—and we signify

our approval of these things by requiring them of our membership.

It is in measuring our prospective membership to this standard that each chapter is the keeper of a trust. It is a trust to be discharged in the best of faith without thought for expediency and with the interests of the entire fraternity always in view. Its discharge imposes upon each chapter much effort and foresight. It demands of the chapter that its selection of members shall not begin when the man under consideration registers in the college. It demands the foresight to look ahead of registration a year, two or three years, to the lad that is coming into promise as a future fraternity man and that the effort be expended of maintaining his interest in, and admiration for, the fraternity until he enters college. This requires genuine effort and a great deal of it, but it is worth the price. Each chapter's trust demands that it shall be most chary in pledging men whom they have never known until rush season. More harm has resulted in pledging upon first appearances than from any other factor. First appearances, at best, can be little more than a *prima facia* indication. They must be followed by the sifting process.

The views here expressed are not new in many chapters; in others they have been only unconsciously accepted and put into operation. Until they become a part of the traditions of each chapter, firmly rooted in the consciousness of every member, will our membership be effectively chosen. Chapter traditions are as binding as their law. Shall the tradition of undisputed pre-eminence, not alone in accomplishment but in all of the qualities that go to make a fraternity, be interwoven into our fraternal fabric? If so it shall be by virtue of, first, the acceptation of the fundamental principles involved; second, by foresight in preparing men years ahead of the date of their pledging for membership; and, last, and most important, by the expenditure of the effort to thoroughly know, appreciate and understand every man to whom membership in our fraternity is offered.

## Tact

By Russel H. Ewing, Minnesota Alpha '22

I have been a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon for five years and it has been my privilege to have lived in three of our chapter houses, all of which are strong, progressive chapters. The members are carefully selected in each case, but still there arises some dissensions. It is almost inevitable. We cannot get away from the differences to be found in the human equation.

But still I have sought for the cause of dissention, dissatisfaction and unsympathetic attitudes.

I believe the first and most lamentable of these causes is jealousy. People of obscurity are never vilified. Only those whose merits have placed them in positions of leadership become the targets for the attacks of envy and for the slanders of falsehood.

Envy and malice are nothing more than acknowledgement of superior quality in the other person. Calumny is usually the work of the weak who hope to advertise their own wares by denying those of better men.

I find in our groups three distinct types: the outspoken, the moderate and the reticent. The latter is oftentimes the most dangerous man in the chapter. Reticence and sullenness go hand in hand. Sullenness is the prime enemy of poise. It is the fault of the feeble spirited who have not the energy to affirm their sentiments or to make a plain statement of their convictions, that become incensed with those who oppose them. In their case a good deal of false pride is present. They know themselves to be beaten and to be incapable of fighting, yet they are too vain to accept defeat. They run off into the corner and feel hurt. They refuse the sympathy that wounds them and suffer the more from their inability to yield to that good will which would aid and comfort them.

Closely allied to this is another cause of men's failures in fraternities. It lies in the lack of tact. Oh, that is a word of mutable meaning; it never means the same thing to any two men. It comes from knowing your man and even the most experienced business men never arrive at perfection.

The first essential is in being a gentleman, and the first quality of a gentleman is consideration for others with whom you associate. 'Tis hard to adopt the proper proportion of

forcefulness and fearlessness, self restraint and affection essential to leadership.

To be a success as a fraternity man in the truest sense of the word, a man must possess the happy faculty of winning the confidence of his fellows. I sometimes feel members have not learned to be good friends to say nothing of being brothers.

Further pity may be added to the sarcastic one. There is usually one in every house. Some people are constantly "rubbing the fur the wrong way" or irritating us, saying sharp, sarcastic things or flinging out disagreeable utterances. Elementally and essentially he lacks tact. It is a habit and a bad one.

Cruel bluntness in stating brutal facts has caused untold misery and broken many friendships. Truth itself changes from a jewel to a dangerous weapon in the hands of a tactless person. Because a thing is true is no reason it should be told, or told in a way to offend. The test should be: is it true, is it necessary, is it kind? He who would have many and strong friends must exercise tact in order not to offend even by the truth, because it is very difficult for many people to forgive even a fancied injury entirely. This is especially true of offenses against, or remarks which reflect upon, a brother's pride, ability or capacity.

Education and book learning are often of slight value as compared with tact in meeting the daily difficulties of life.

The fraternity man who has failed to sense the value of this happy quality is usually an inefficient member of his group. "A man with tact is a man we can tie to." So in order to promote happy, efficient groups let each man have due consideration for the other fellow and a sense of propriety in his remarks about the other fellow. Thoughtful, sympathetic suggestions in private are inestimably more beneficial than those given in the open. Your motive usually determines your usefulness in attempting to assist a brother. The words of DeSalle are appropriate: "Let each one strive to yield oftenest to the wishes of the other, in absolute unselfishness." That means harmony, and it depends on tact.

Fraternities should be great personality builders as well as moral and spiritual guides in our college life and we may easily determine the course by suggestion and stimulation. With courage let us set our faces toward the future and build our fraternity with these things in mind, always upholding virtue, diligence and brotherly love.

## A Strong Chapter

By Paul G. Koontz,

Missouri Alpha, '17

How may a strong chapter be developed and maintained? That problem, ever-present and perplexing, confronts every chapter. Sometimes we think there are no rules which invariably accomplish the desired result, and that it is governed largely by chance or the chapter's age. In reality, however, it comes from a careful observance of some underlying, indispensable principles, and is within the range of every chapter.

These essentials are, first, a definite policy or goal toward which the chapter will strive; second, an efficient, well-disciplined internal organization to put it across, and, third, the whole-souled, aggressive Sig Ep spirit within every man, from the youngest freshman to the chapter president. A strict adherence to these three principles will overcome all obstacles and spell "Ascendancy" for Sigma Phi Epsilon in every college and university where she exists. A great many pages could be devoted to each proposition, but this article will merely indicate in a general way how these may be applied in actual fraternity life.

A chapter is greatly handicapped if it has no definite policy or tradition which it seeks to perpetuate. Too often it has none, either because its members do not take time to formulate permanent policies, or because its personnel changes so rapidly that the policies are not passed along, year after year. One great difference between a fraternity and a boarding club is the matter of its permanence and tradition. Definite goals kept before the chapter inspire greater efforts, and result in the accomplishment of much which would otherwise be neglected through sheer rush of college life. Every chapter might profitably include in its program:

- (1) The publication of a well-edited periodical news-sheet,
- (2) A complete photograph gallery of men who have been active in the chapter, with a tier devoted especially to previous chapter presidents,
- (3) The acquisition of a library of fraternity interest,

- (4) The policy of participation by the chapter in every campus activity, under the direction of a live committee,
- (5) Solid finances based on the "Purdue plan" or some similar system,
- (6) Every brother working for a college degree,
- (7) Creditable chapter singing, and, if possible, a chapter orchestra,
- (8) A well-organized alumni association,
- (9) A suitable house owned by the chapter.

It is important that a chapter give serious attention to the matter of its internal organization. Without efficient chapter machinery it can never reach its goal. A chapter must have an active, aggressive president, and he must have the undivided support of his chapter. A strong chapter must have committees which take their jobs seriously and which meet regularly for the transaction of committee business. The administration of chapter affairs may be supervised by a vigorous and respected Senior or Executive Council to which brothers are eligible only by virtue of faithful years of service. After a policy has been determined by a chapter every loyal brother must lend his unreserved support, for it is then no time for divided sentiment.

Respect for authority in the chapter and the desire for effective organization must begin with freshman training and become a part of every brother. It may require years of effort and training to establish this attitude, but once secured by a chapter it is a priceless heritage.

All else will be futile without the Sig Ep spirit. This spirit is born only of love for the fraternity. It is difficult to define, but it lies deep down in one's heart, and it means instinctively putting Sigma Phi Epsilon first in one's college life. Every upperclassman must have it,—every Sophomore and every Freshman. Indifferent drifters and "badge wearers" are a curse to any chapter, and the sooner such hopeless drones are allowed to depart for home, the more fortunate the chapter will be. They are a demoralizing influence within the chapter, and they chill the enthusiasm of the genuine fraternity workers.

Speaking of spirit, every chapter needs an occasional meeting of an inspirational nature. Chapter meetings must be something more than a forum for discussing the merits and

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demerits of rushees or the purchase of a new rug. The chapter's situation should be analyzed in these meetings, and every member made to realize that its strength will depend largely on him.

A few years ago, a very promising Sophomore arose in chapter meeting. He said he had never been given anything to do, and he asked for a job that he might contribute something to his fraternity. He was, accordingly, appointed chairman of an important committee. He handled it conscientiously and with credit. Subsequently, numerous other duties were assigned him, and these were carefully performed. Within two years he was chosen president of his chapter. A chapter composed entirely of such men would be unconquerable.

What about your chapter? Shall it drift along aimlessly, going you know not whither and doomed never to arrive, or shall it be a strong, well-balanced chapter, a recognized leader on the campus, and a source of pride to the fraternity at large? Then, adopt a program, perfect the internal organization, and, don't overlook the most essential part, the Sig Ep spirit.

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Hats off to Ohio Gamma. She has showed the galaxy of fraternities at Ohio State a clean pair of scholastic heels, heading the fraternity scholarship last season. Grand officers, chapters and membership alike, are proud of Ohio Gamma and grateful to her for her good work in behalf of, not only herself, but the fraternity.

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Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary collegiate journalism fraternity, has announced an editorial contest on the subject, "The Practical Value of a Cultural Education." The purpose of the contest, it is stated, is to arouse the active support of undergraduate bodies in behalf of liberal arts courses, and to refute the popular claim that a four-year cultural course is time mis-spent. Three medal prizes are offered, to be presented by President Harding, a member of Pi Delta Epsilon.

# Individual Chapter Inkwells

By Hugh W. Thompson

Iowa Beta, '20

As every man unadmittedly likes to see his name in print, so every chapter of the fraternity likes to see its name and news displayed in its native and characteristic clothing. Of late many of the chapters have indicated their preference for the addition of individual inkwells to the fraternity's publicity table on which our fraternal family's great inkwell, the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal, has always been kept.

These individual inkwells are the chapter news sheets that we find arriving from the mails these days. They can be well worth while, as many of them are, but they can never replace our Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal, through which the national voice of the fraternity is heard.

Being relatively a new institution, these chapter papers are of a varied character and for the most part, appear at rather irregular intervals. Some will live; some will exist; others will die, as is the case with all institutions of every sort.

Ink is rather a dangerous fluid in the hands of the too ambitious literary brother and it stains the fingers of the apprentice. When ink is served more as the meat of the meal it is nourishing but when it is found on the "publicity table" as a sort of relish it is rather tasteless and unappetizing. Let us consider how this ink may be used to the best advantage. Some of the chapters are publishing printed news sheets and others are mimeographing their news. Both plans have their quite evident advantages and disadvantages. Cost is the important matter to consider. The chief argument for the mimeographed sheet is the lowered cost, but upon investigation it will be found that a neat, conservative job of printing can be done at a nominal cost if several print shops are made to bid for the job.

For example, the Iowa Beta chapter has found that it can publish a nine by twelve inch, four-page paper for \$10.00 an issue. Incidentally, this news sheet is known as the Chronicle and is published on the 10th of each month from October to

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June, inclusive. Counting thirty men in the chapter, that means a cost of \$3.00 a year per man, or a total cost of \$12.00 for each man during his college course.

The information and education that each member of the chapter may obtain from this source should be well worth the \$12.00. In most chapters that \$12.00, or whatever the cost may be, pays for a life subscription to the paper after the active member has laid away his college necktie. So consider what the \$12.00 will return to you as an alumnus.

The different chapters find it feasible to dip into their inkwells at intervals of variable length. Some of the publications "occur" every month, others "occur" every two or three months while others just naturally "occur" like the tripping of an automatic dump hay rake which trips and leaves a rick of hay after a certain weight of it has been accumulated. Remember that the longer this hay lays and dries before being raked, the drier it gets. Write your news while the sun shines; publish the issues regularly.

These chapter papers should be made up with considerations for the interests of three distinct groups of the members of our fraternity. It should be of very particular interest to the alumni of the chapter; it should interest in a more general way all other chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon; it should set forth, in a concise and interesting manner, and as a sort of record of the events and years for the active members, the news of the chapter.

These local publications serve as a sort of barometer of local progress just as the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal gauges in its pages the progress of the entire fraternal craft. A little training in the art of journalism is a good thing for you, brother, whatever you intend that your profession shall be.

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### PHILLIPS IN THE WEST

Grand Secretary W. L. Phillips is now on a tour<sup>r</sup> of inspection in the west following the installation of Washington Beta. He reports that the infant chapter was given a good start in the world according to the most approved rules of fraternity eugenics. Here's looking at the new chapter. Long may it waive—or whatever it is that should be said.

## Dartmouth's Selective Process for Admission

There is a strong movement on foot at the present time to curtail the number of students admitted to our colleges and universities. This has arisen, largely, in the over-crowded conditions of some of our leading educational institutions. The average college has facilities for handling but a certain number of students efficiently, although the number may be well nigh doubled on a basis of less efficiency in the work carried on. This condition has engendered, or caused a revival, to some extent, of a different theory in higher education than that under which we have been operating.

For many years our theory has been to educate all of our youth alike—insofar as this could be accomplished. Our colleges and universities have carried on active campaigns to crowd their accommodations to the limit. And having reached their desired end a new theory has evolved. It would seem now to be the theory that the function of the college should be to develop leaders, that the number of students should be reduced to such number as may receive the most careful and personal attention of instructors with the result of great individual development. It is not the purpose of this article to discuss the merits of these conflicting tendencies. Our inquiry is to the effect upon the students in our colleges and its application to the fraternity.

The first step toward curtailment was made by Columbia University when it inaugurated entrance requirements, based upon a new theory, tending to decrease the number of matriculants and admit as new students only those best enabled to carry on and absorb the work of the school. The final appraisement of this innovation has yet to be given. Then came the action of Princeton University, acting along a different course. An absolute limit of 1,500 students was made and the process of elimination was made to apply, to a large degree, to those already admitted as students. A high standard of work was set and the failure of students to meet the requirements resulted in their being dropped and others allowed to take their place. There was no desire in this move, as stated by President Hibben, to make the school an "exclusive" institution in the sense so frequently used, but rather merely

to exclude those who would not make the most of their opportunities and allow others a chance. Other colleges and universities have placed limits upon the number of students admitted with the idea of giving better and more efficient training, but facts are not available indicating the effect of these measures.

Recently, however, Dartmouth College has made announcement of the inauguration of a new policy in selecting matriculants. A brochure has been issued entitled "The Selective Process of Admission," which sets out in some detail the plan under which matriculants entering in 1922 and thereafter shall be selected. The plan is related to that introduced by Columbia University.

In making a selection of men for admission in 1922, it is announced, regard will be had to nine elements as follows:

1. **Exceptional Scholarship**, which shall be considered indicative of proved intellectual capacity, and which when accompanied by endorsement of character shall be held a sufficient basis for selection.
2. **High Scholarship**, which shall be considered *prima facie* evidence in favor of selection.
3. **Character**, as indicated by the **Personal Ratings** by school officers and others acquainted with the applicant and **Promise** as indicated by blanks descriptive of school activities.
4. **Priority of Application** among candidates of like attainments.
5. The principle of preserving the variety of types of homes from which men come by attention to **Professional and Occupational Distribution** in regard to parents.
6. The principle of **Geographical Distribution**.
7. All properly qualified Sons of Dartmouth Alumni and Dartmouth College Officers shall be accepted.
8. **Law Scholarship** shall be accepted as presumptive evidence of inability to do college work, either because of poorness of preparation or because of lack of intellectual capacity. Consequently, low scholarship shall be considered as disqualifying an applicant for admission.
9. The entire class shall be selected on the basis of qualification according to the above specifications, supplementary to scholastic qualifications, and no one shall be allowed to enter simply because he has secured rooming accommodations.

The personal rating referred to above is to be determined upon certain information rendered upon a blank form filled out by the principal of the applicant's preparatory school and by some other person, presumably a Dartmouth College Graduate. The rating is upon the following personal elements: intellectual interest, individuality, native ability, industry and faithfulness, originality, integrity, straightforwardness, clean mindedness, fair play, school spirit, interest in fellows and leadership. Each of these elements or qualities is graded into one of six classifications as follows: (1) markedly, (2) distinctly, or (3) doubtfully, above the average, and (4) doubtfully, (5) distinctly, or (6) markedly, below the average.

Explaining this innovation in the selection of students the college makes the following statement:

"The condition, prevailing now for several years at Dartmouth, as a consequence of which the college has been able to accept but a limited proportion of the number of candidates who have applied for admission, still exists. It has consequently been deemed desirable to formulate and to announce some definite principles which would be accepted as a basis of selection, in choosing the men scholastically prepared, to whom the privilege of enrollment in the next entering class at Dartmouth would be assured. It was, of course, desired in this connection to decrease the hitherto large importance of priority of application as a major factor, although recognizing that other things being equal, the earlier application had the right of way.

"The College unreservedly holds that definite evidence of intellectual capacity is indispensable, but within the range of those intellectually qualified, the College believes that positive qualities of character, wide range of interests, and capable performance in school activities are factors which ought to be considered and to be given definite values.

"Dartmouth's undergraduate body comes from widely distributed geographical areas; it represents a great number of schools; it has an origin in homes of many different kinds and it has a background of professional and vocational interests of maximum variety. These qualities the College frankly wishes to retain within its student group.

"The plan submitted is an attempt to put into definite and tangible form some of the principles which have heretofore

influenced the procedure in regard to admissions, while amplifying these at other points, and adding to them, to conserve influences in the college life upon which high values are placed. It may not be possible, nor even desirable, to insist that all candidates shall have proved themselves well-rounded men, but it is believed to be practicable to insist upon qualities which will make the student group a well-rounded body."

Dartmouth College has gone on record with regard to the type of men to whom it holds forth her advantages. It has not stopped there. It has sounded the death knell to poor scholarship. By faculty enactment has been instituted the rule that once a student is dropped from school by reason of poor scholarship he shall be thereafter refused admission. With facilities crowded, the college, it is asserted, has no place for those who will not take advantage of the opportunity afforded them.

Experience has proved that a second chance is of little avail to the student who has once been dropped. The words of President Hopkins are significant, "In common with most of the other colleges of the country Dartmouth has in the past provided a second chance for men who have once failed. Upon the basis of the records made by such men, however, we believe it not only unwise but unjust to continue the practice at the expense of the rest of the college and by denying entrance to Dartmouth every year of men presumably worthy and well qualified."

The record of the college shows that of 219 men readmitted after dismissal for poor scholarship, 70 were dismissed a second time and but 42 of those readmitted ever graduated and credits for war service enabled a number of these to secure their degree.

The foregoing will be of interest to the thoughtful fraternity man. He will recognize the fact that both his fraternity and Dartmouth College have the same end in view—that of, first, securing a high type of man and, second, making the most of that man. Their ends are identical and, to a large extent, the same may be said of the means to be employed. The college demands scholarship because it is scholarship that tends toward making the best type of individual. The fraternity demand is the same. The college encourages school activities because they tend to make well-rounded men. The fraternity entertains the same view al-

though, short sightedly, it may be assumed that desirable publicity is the ultimate good of school activities. The college holds to the opinion that it has a certain good to bestow upon those who are willing to receive it; if the individual is not willing to give the work to receive the benefit, then someone should be permitted to take his place who does wish the benefit and is willing to give his serious effort to secure it. This should be the view held by the fraternity. There is a wealth of good fraternity material in the world—men who desire fraternity membership and are willing to sacrifice their individual inclinations to the good of the organization. There are men who will bring to the fraternity not only high scholarship and rare talent but who will bring to it devotion and loyalty without stint. Why must these men be denied their place in our midst to make place for our laggards who bring us into disrepute through our scholarship and whose activities in school, if they have any, are more often than not of doubtful value? There are men under obligation of making their own living before they can think of scholarship to whom these remarks do not apply. But they do apply to that class of men who fall short of a "man's work" by reason of things within their power to govern. They apply to the man who can not put in a full day of work, to the man who substitutes dreaming for close, concentrated study, to the man who permits his interest in other activities overshadow his interest in his school work.

Fraternities may well study Dartmouth College's new plan for admission and put the principle to work in their selection of members. There is much for consideration in the plan. It is a scheme that has resulted from a vast amount of thoughtful consideration on the part of big men. This, alone, should recommend it. It is the plan worked out for an institution whose interests are identical with our own. Can we use it?

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Pi Beta Phi has installed three new chapters since the opening of the fall term. The new chapters are North Dakota Alpha at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N. D.; Montana Alpha at Montana State College, Bozeman, Mont., and Florida Beta at Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee, Fla.

## Two Rhodes Scholarships to Sig Eps

Sigma Phi Epsilon is proud of her two men who brought honor to themselves and their fraternity in the recent competition for Rhodes Scholarships. Lawrence Kevill Larson, Wisconsin Alpha, and James Alexander Ross, Jr., New York Alpha, are the two men who recently challenged the attention of the fraternity when awarded the much coveted scholarships. Perhaps no higher honor is open to college graduates

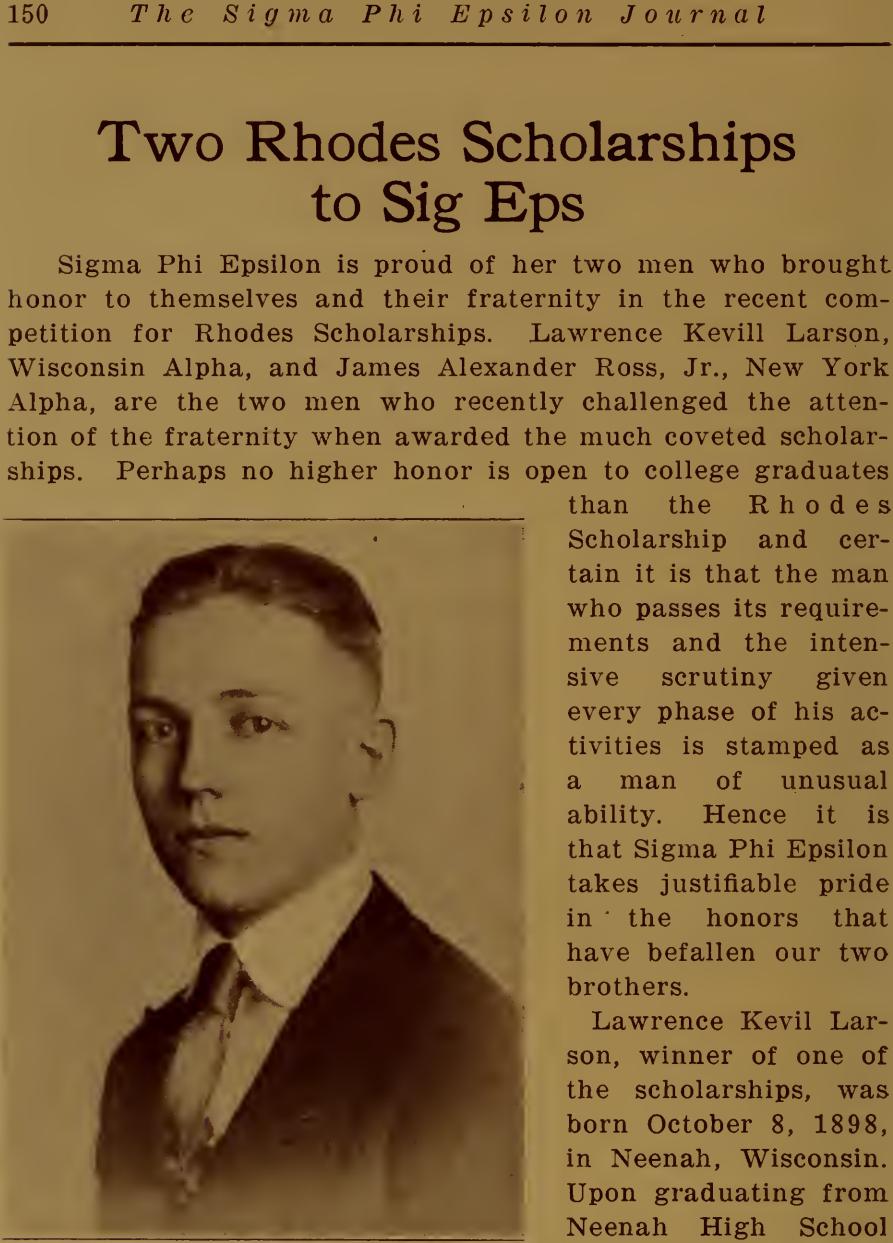
than the Rhodes Scholarship and certain it is that the man who passes its requirements and the intensive scrutiny given every phase of his activities is stamped as a man of unusual ability. Hence it is that Sigma Phi Epsilon takes justifiable pride in the honors that have befallen our two brothers.

Lawrence Kevil Larson, winner of one of the scholarships, was born October 8, 1898, in Neenah, Wisconsin. Upon graduating from Neenah High School he entered Lawrence College in the fall of

**Lawrence Kevill Larson**

1916. During the fall of 1918 he was commissioned as second lieutenant at the River Falls Normal in the S. A. T. C.

Larson's college record at Lawrence College was one of the big factors in bringing him the appointment. While at Lawrence he was a member of the Mace, Pi Delta Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa; winner of three basketball "L's", being captain of the basketball team in his fourth year; editor of the Lawrentian; a member of the Glee Club for three years; presi-



dent of the Y. M. C. A. one year; winner of the Champion trophy in his junior year; in the college play for three years; and connected with many other organizations in the college. Larson was outstanding in every phase of extra-curricular activity as well as in his studies.

The Lawrence candidate won from a group of fourteen men trying out, among whom were graduates of Yale, Cornell, Columbia, Wisconsin and other large universities.

At present Larson is working in a financial drive in behalf of his Alma Mater, his work taking him into the East with headquarters in New York City. He will leave for England next fall.

James Alexander Ross, Jr., our other honor man, is a member of New York Alpha. He entered Syracuse University in 1917 and played on the freshman football teams. In the spring of 1918 he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. Expressing a preference for aviation, he passed the examinations and was sent to the ground school at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston, and thence to the Marine Flying School at Miami, Florida.

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commissioned a second lieutenant and although he did much flying on this side, he did not get across.

After his discharge from the service, Ross entered Princeton, where he made an enviable record in scholarship and athletics. He will graduate from Princeton in June. He was a member of the track and football squads. Cap and Gown in his club. His home is in Brooklyn.

Although not sure of his college he will probably enter Merton. He will study jurisprudence while in Oxford.



**James Alexander Ross, Jr.**

# The Fraternity as a Social Asset

By Ralph L. Theisen

Nebraska Alpha, '17

There is a certain class of men who join a fraternity because of what they deem to be the social advantages. And with this class of men I have little sympathy. I am well aware that the fact that fraternity membership is generally received throughout society as a *prima facie* stamp of approval. With this procedure I likewise have little sympathy. I hope I may always have the interest of my fraternity at heart. I hope I may always be a faithful member. But I am very sure I shall never entertain the idea that the desirability of fraternity membership lies in its social advantages. In this view I am on the other side of the fence with a good many fraternity men.

I joined a fraternity for its advantages. I wanted the association of the calibre of men of the organization I was invited to join. I wanted the stimulus of association with these men who were accomplishing things, men who had big plans for the future. I wanted to share their ambitions. I wanted the stimulus of their personalities. And recognizing that they had established an organization of high worth I can sincerely say that it was my desire to do my part in the perpetuating of their good work.

Had these men approached me with an argument as to the social benefits that should accrue to me from joining the fraternity I doubt very much if I should have accepted their invitation. I am of the opinion that the term "social advantages" is very much overdone. Not that I believe in withdrawing into one's shell or cutting off one's relationship with his fellow man. I believe in "mixing" and in sincere friendship, in the association of people. But between these things and this other institution—"society"—there is a vast difference. I am frank to say that I am somewhat contemptuous of society for society's sake.

I remember well the case of a man we pledged while I was an active member. His papa had more money than he knew what to do with, so he turned the responsibility of getting rid of a part of it over to his young son. And the son,

taking advantage of the opportunity and desiring, as did his mama, the social distinction of fraternity membership, suffered himself to matriculate in college and pledge to our fraternity. The matriculation with the troublesome process of registration was nuisance to him. But he put up with the waiting, standing in line, dictation of professors and other inconveniences to secure the end he had in view. He enjoyed the rushing as it accorded with his own ideas of his importance in the scheme of things. But eventually the rushing season passed and he settled down to the business of being a mere pledge and a mere freshman. And Oh, the heart aches he suffered under the discipline of the fraternity. I have always been surprised that he survived that first semester of pledgedom. But eventually he was initiated and began to take an active voice in fraternity affairs. And immediately the chapter began to hear his views of the functions of the fraternity and he began to cast black balls against those rushees who, by any chance, failed to keep their finger nails glossily polished and their trousers properly pressed. He began bringing around the house as rushees a species of men whom we all suspected of doing crocheting and embroidering in their idle hours. He danced a mean step and his personal appearance was faultless, but from the eyebrows up, as we eventually decided, he was muscle bound. While he had no persistence in his school work or his school activities he did have persistence in his rushing. And so it came about that the chapter made a few mistakes, attributable to him, and pledged some of the material that he brought around. The result was we developed a "social colony," if I may call it that. It took much effort and much time to eradicate the effects of this "social colony" and we were rid of it not without marring the chapter. As a result I have a strong antipathy for social members.

When I find a college fraternity degenerated into a purely social organization I cannot refrain from a feeling of contempt for it. It has fallen short of the mark toward which it was originally aimed. It is not fulfilling its function in the collegiate world. There is a genuine and valid excuse for fraternities; in fact, there is a genuine and valid need for them in all of the schools of the country, but it is not as a "society" organization. So soon as a chapter may have cut loose from its "society" members and established itself upon the basis of brotherhood, mutual cooperation and education

it will have started to build upon a firm foundation. In playing with the social bug I believe they are playing with danger. Certainly they are calling condemnation down upon themselves from many legitimate quarters.

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## The Inter-Fraternity Conference of 1921

New York City is the Mecca of Greeks each November when the Interfraternity Conference begins its work in behalf of the welfare of the fraternity situation the country over and the meeting of November, 1921, was of vital import to all fraternities. Its personnel composed of college graduates, educators, successful business men and interested fraternity workers, few organizations could surpass that of the men who gather each year to bring to the fraternity its proper rating in the eyes of the world and the highest degree of efficiency in the work of the Greek letter organizations.

Each interfraternity conference is, in effect, an intensified short course in how to run a fraternity. Every conceivable fraternity problem is dragged into the light and given treatment by the "best heads." It frankly takes cognizance of the pitfalls of the fraternities and registers its opinion upon them. It analyzes qualities and weaknesses and treats them frankly. Each conference develops a storehouse of valuable information for fraternities which may have access through the minutes of the conference published each year. Copies have been ordered sent to each chapter of our fraternity and the attention of the active chapters, in particular, are earnestly commended to them.

Sigma Phi Epsilon was represented at the 1921 conference by Grand Vice-President Eastman, Grand Secretary Phillips, William H. Mayer, Jr., N. Y. Beta, '15, and John H. Crary, Colo. Beta, '17. Brother Phillips is regarded as one of the perennials among habitues of the conference, having missed but one meeting—the second—out of the thirteen that have been held.

Scholarship among active chapters was one of the things that received the earnest attention of the conference as it does year after year. It is realized that fraternity scholarship is a

serious affront to the fraternity situation everywhere. With few exceptions fraternity men do not rank as high in scholarship as the non-fraternity men. Since national organizations have taken an interest in the matter of scholarship this situation has improved somewhat but fraternities have not been brought to the level of the average of non-fraternity men. Until the tables can be reversed fraternities will encounter much opposition that will, at least, limit their effectiveness.

Theta Nu Epsilon, Kappa Beta Phi and other organizations of like character were subjected to much grilling discussion and plans drawn more closely for eradicating these organizations which serve to bring disrepute upon the fraternity system.

Considerable discussion was aimed at the excessive cost of many fraternity houses, some of which have run to enormous figures. Discussions discountenanced the tendency to surpass the house of rival fraternities. Mention was made of fraternity houses running as high as \$200,000.00 but in many schools a limit of \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00 is placed upon the house of any fraternity. In some places plans may be put into execution only after the approval of trustees of the college. It was the sense of the conference that the goal of the fraternity as far as housing is concerned, should be to see each chapter comfortably equipped with a house adequate for its needs and then divert its funds to other more needed uses.

Much attention was given to local interfraternity councils or committees the thought being that the work of the Interfraternity Conference might best be placed into effective operation through the medium of the local interfraternity organizations. In connection with this topic there was much discussion of rushing rules and agreements and of methods employed. Previous action of the conference was to oppose restriction on pledging and the action of the 1921 conference was a reaffirmation of that stand. Let it not be forgotten that this is a conference made up of men from all professions and interests, many of them being educators. Their opinion on freedom from pledge restrictions will not meet with favor in many schools but will probably be adopted eventually. When fraternities have secured that degree of organization in their own ranks that can develop good scholarship and desirable house conditions there will no longer be need for pledge restrictions.

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Rough house initiations received considerable attention with no defence for the institution from any quarter and a general denunciation. It mentioned that while some years back candidates were subjected to treatment that at times endangered lives and resulted in some fatalities, there is little rough house work except silly antics. The latter were deprecated as bringing censure upon fraternities, engendered lack of respect on the part of the non-fraternity world and as serving no good purpose.

It was brought out during the conference that a very present source of difficulty is the liquor question. Not only have there been cases of drinking brought to light, but the matter has gone to the extent of being a matter for concern. It came to light that most of the trouble arose along this line from the return of the chapters of recent graduates who bring liquor with them. These men, it seems, feeling the freedom of restriction of the college and not yet having acquired, in many cases, the more sober and far-seeing view of the older graduate, have been willing to risk bringing criticism if not more dire calamity upon the whole fraternity system rather than curb their own inclinations. It is not open for discussion that as between the fraternity and liquor there must be an absolute divorce.

One of the important considerations of the conference was the treatment of the subject of health and hygiene. A most admirable report was made by a committee of three physicians which it is hoped may be read by every chapter of the fraternity. Dr. Galloway also made an interesting address of somewhat the same tenor which is published in the minutes of the conference.

Copies of the minutes have been ordered sent to each chapter of the fraternity. All members are urged to read their chapter copy carefully. It bears a great volume of valuable fraternity information that can be read only with profit to our organization. It represents the labors of leaders in the field of fraternalism and it offers to the earnest fraternity worker no little profit in return for a careful consideration of its pages.

## Des Moines Conclave Institutes Alumni Dues

One of the pieces of Conclave legislation of most far-reaching effect was the provision for alumni dues. This is not a new experiment in the fraternity field. It has been tried out by a number of fraternities and with conspicuous success, particularly, by Delta Upsilon. Such a provision was instituted by the latter fraternity but comparatively recently and already an astonishing percentage of alumni have paid their dues.

It is provided by the Des Moines legislation that every alumnus of the fraternity shall pay annual dues of not to exceed \$5.00. These dues shall include the year's subscription for the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal. The purpose of levying these dues is two-fold. In the first place, it is hoped to enlist the financial aid of the alumni members of the fraternity, and, in the second place, to gain their active interest and cooperation in fraternity affairs through the medium of the publication of the fraternity.

The time has been within the memory of most of us when the bulk of the membership lay in the active chapters. The order has changed. The vast majority of our membership lies among the alumni and more and more the alumni will take the reins of the fraternity and guide its destinies. It is to the alumni that the fraternity as a whole is especially looking. And the scope of the fraternity operations will be more and more broadened to suit the purposes of the alumni. It is but proper that this fraternity—of no less importance and no less owned by the alumni than the active members—should be, in part, supported by alumni members. The annual dues will be nominal—they will probably be fixed at \$3.00—and, for the most part, the alumni members stand to benefit equally with the active members in their membership in the fraternity. Alumni associations and alumni chapters are growing very rapidly in all of the cities. It is a matter of but a very few years until, in any city of any size, one will find an association or chapter of fraternity brothers through which one may not only keep in active touch with fraternity affairs but profit from the relationship. More and more will the fraternity be, not only of social benefit to the

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members wherever they may be, but it will be of financial benefit in bringing him in touch with the men who have his interests at heart, and who will be his most earnest boosters.

One-half of the dues created by the Des Moines legislation, then, will go to cover Journal subscriptions. As has been many times said, if the fraternity could make every member a subscriber of the Journal we could develop a fraternity of such cohesive membership that its attainments and accomplishments as an organization might have no limit. If every man could be made a subscriber of the Journal every man could be brought into sympathy with the efforts and the purposes of the fraternity and this vast cooperative membership might accomplish anything it desired. To this purpose is one-half of the alumni dues dedicated.

To the financial welfare of the fraternity is the other half dedicated. Sigma Phi Epsilon is about to launch upon a sea of vast endeavor. An epoch making building program is about to be instituted that will attract the interest of every man in the fraternity. It is a matter of but a comparatively short time until the fraternity will have a building corporation with assets of more than a million dollars. A great system of fraternity properties will be built up, a large financial enterprise will be under way, the financial texture of the fraternity will be united with the political texture forming an organization that will draw into its fold and enlist the active interest of every far-seeing and courageous alumni the country over. This organization is not to be a drain upon the members of the fraternity. It is not to be a charitable enterprise. It will ask no donations, no gratuitous loans. It is to be a self-sustaining, paying enterprise.

The enormity of this scheme demands certain prerequisites. The funds of the grand chapter must be brought to a place where the operations of the fraternity may be financed without stinting and to this purpose is dedicated one-half of the alumni dues.

Every fraternity has its dead timber. Every fraternity has its men whose interest is centered in themselves to the exclusion of all else. Every fraternity has its members who are unable to see the common good as distinguished from their own. There will be many of our membership who will fail to see the advisability of joining with the membership at large in the payment of annual dues. But the enlightened

membership of the fraternity will cheerfully assume the obligations placed upon them by the grand chapter and will consider it a privilege to be allied with this organization throughout their life time as an active mover in the cause. Once the program for the future, as defined by the grand chapter, has been engrafted upon the understanding of the membership at large there will be no difficulty in collecting these dues. These plans are sufficient to grasp the interest and the enthusiasm of any loyal member of the fraternity and it will be, indeed, an easy matter to collect, as a result, a goodly share of the dues levied. We anticipate a time when the \$3.00 alumni dues will be as cheerfully and as easily collected as the \$4.00 annual dues now collected by the grand chapter from the active members. But it means a program of education. Alumni must be acquainted with the plans under foot. They must be made to understand that the fraternity promises them for the future. In the program of education the active chapters must do their part, as must the alumni chapters. Let all organizations lose no opportunity of acquainting the alumni with the plans the fraternity has laid. Let them assume the obligation of "selling" our alumni the idea and "sell" them in such a manner as to keep them "sold." The reward for this meritorious work of education will be to see the fraternity assume a size and importance such as we have hitherto not dreamed—and that without long delay.

**BORN****January 14, 1922****to****S. P. EPSILON and FAMILY****Healthy and Promising Boy of Average Size  
and Weight. All Doing Nicely****Named****WASHINGTON BETA****W. L. Phillips,  
Attending Physician**

# THE CLIPPING BUREAU

Chapters are requested to send all clippings of general fraternity interest to the editor, giving the name of the paper and the date the article appeared.

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Former President of College In Oklahoma and Lone Star Educator.

(Special to The Rocky Mountain News)

Boulder, Jan. 13.—Dr. J. W. Cantwell of this city has been appointed superintendent of the Texas State Juvenile Training School at Gatesville, Texas, according to word received here. Dr. Cantwell is to begin his new work March 1, succeeding C. E. King, who resigned after he had been exonerated of charges of permitting inmates of the school to be too severely punished.

Dr. Cantwell has been a summer visitor to Boulder since 1906, and last fall purchased a home here because of the educational advantages for his family, having planned to take a post-graduate course at Columbia university, New York City.

He was president of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college, located at Stillwater, Okla., for seven years, resigning last July. Prior to that he was superintendent of schools at Texarkana and Corsicana and for seven years head of the Fort Worth schools. He is a graduate of Yale.

—*Rocky Mountain News.*

(Dr. Cantwell is a member of Oklahoma Alpha, having been initiated as a charter member of that chapter while president of Oklahoma A. & M. College.)

## SUCCESSFUL CONCLAVE

If one were to place the honor for the success of the conclave on any one person or body perhaps the greatest credit would go to the Des Moines Alumni Association. It was only through the untiring efforts of a few of the members of this organization that obstacles were overcome and last minute disappointments were changed to successes.

A great deal of credit is due Brother C. W. Schmidt for his part in the work. As an organizer "Dutch" is hard to beat. When a dancer was needed to entertain at the banquet he looked over his list of friends and acquaintances and selected a most proficient corps of entertainers. And when anything in the way of favors or privileges were required it was "Dutch" that was on the job to get what was asked.

Of this active crew we might also mention Brothers Cunningham, Odendahl, and Wahl, whose originality and conscientiousness lead to the accomplishing of such favorable results. And it was through the efforts of Brothers Thompson and Wahl that this conclave was able to achieve the signal success of putting out the finest program of its kind ever published.

We can well congratulate ourselves on having such a group of men and we hope that they may ever work as faithfully for the glory of Sigma Phi Epsilon.—*From the Chronicle of Iowa Beta.*

## PROFESSORS STUDY POKER

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### Pay Student Players, Who Are Observed By Psychologists.

New York, Jan. 10.—Science has taken a hand in poker.

The complex that causes people to sit up all night with cards and chips is under examination at Columbia university, where the department of psychology recently called for volunteers to sit in on a little game that was observed and studied by the instructors.

It was easy to get volunteers even though the call went out for "first class poker players" only. Apparently the professors didn't know how easy it would be, for they paid the volunteers.

Poker faces, reactions of the fellow who drew to a pair and filled and other psychological information will be included in a publication on practical psychology.—*Spokesman Review, Spokane, Wash.*

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It is after 40 that human beings crave knowledge. Then no one offers it. In youth, when they do not want it, it is forced upon them.

What the world needs is about ten books, short and simply written, that would give to adults an education sufficiently complete and easy to absorb. To write such books would not be difficult.—*From Wisconsin News, Milwaukee.*

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## VISITING BROTHERS

After the game with the Kansas Aggies which we won by a 7 to 0 score we were visited by three brothers who were on the team. Ship Winter played a stellar game at half and end. He snared a pass which nearly cost

us the game but we cannot hold it against him since he was unsuccessful. Susie Sears played full-back and showed the way for his team all the way through. Don Yandell also showed up well at half and it looks as though our Sig Ep brethren at the Manhattan school are real football men as well as the best kind of fellows.

On homecoming eve we were visited by six men from Nebraska, four of whom had helped give us our worst defeat in years. Brothers Wenke, Russel, Lewellyn, and Holt played on the team and all are good men in their several positions. Also Brother Crowell and Pledge Van Horn were here with the band and so we had a real talk-fest in the time we had before the dance. They turn out real men over at Nebraska and we hope that we can see more of them in the future.—*From the Chronicle of Iowa Beta.*

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## BOOKLET ON FRATERNITY ADVICE.

### Booklet on Fraternity Advice

In order to help freshmen make a cool-headed and fair-minded decision of their fraternity amidst the rush and excitement of chinning season, a small booklet entitled "Advice to Freshmen," by G. T. Fleming, '22, has been published by the interfraternity council. The expense of the booklet will be borne by the fraternities so that it may be circulated free of charge immediately after Christmas vacation. The book has been characterized by a member of the faculty as meeting squarely the objections raised against the fraternity system and containing advice "tremendously worth the taking."—*From The Dartmouth Alumni Magazine.*

**TED HEYDEN WINS COVETED  
O. A. C. BLANKET****Three Football Letters Is His  
Record.**

Brother "Ted" Heyden finished his last year on the varsity football squad by winning another letter. Ted played in nearly every game this year, and showed up well at all times.

The winning of this letter entitles him to the official Orange "O" blanket, which is a very much coveted article. Few of these are ever awarded, because at least three varsity "O's" are required to secure them.

"Ted" has seen three years of good hard work on the varsity squad. He began as center and finished up with two years in the position of guard. He earned an enviable reputation as a fighter of no small ability during his career as a football man. He got his start playing for the Pendleton High School football team, where he was a letter man.—*From the Oregon Alpha.*

**Finds Brief Refuge From Police  
In Fraternity House**

Posing as a "brother," Fred Grace lived for two days at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house at the University of Chicago. Yesterday members became suspicious and caused his arrest. They found he is wanted in Montana for check forging and in California for stealing an automobile.—*Chicago Daily Tribune.*

**Many Girls Work Way at College**

Washington State College, Pullman, Jan. 10.—That 11 per cent of the girls attending college here are earning at least a part of their expenses is indicated by figures compiled in the registrar's office. Forty girls are

working for their board and of these twelve are also earning their rooms.—*Spokesman Review, Spokane, Wash.*

Mrs. Mary A. Church, who has five grown children and five grandchildren has entered William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo. When she left high school in Detroit thirty-six years ago Mrs. Church said she would complete her education if the chance ever came. Now she goes to college to finish that education.—*From Wisconsin News, Milwaukee.*

**Syracuse University Baseball  
Manager Gets Unexpected Jolt**

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 1.—The manager of the Syracuse University baseball team, while planning for the southern trip of his nine next spring, wanted a game in Baltimore. Johns Hopkins could not accept the date offered by Syracuse, and the manager dug into the records for another institution that would fill the bill. He found there was a Goucher College at Baltimore and promptly wrote asking for a game. He received an awful shock when a polite note in reply informed him that Goucher was open to feminine students only.—*Exchange.*

**STUDENTS BAR JAZZ, TROT****Virginia Reel Returns to College  
Dance Programs.**

Billings, Mont., Jan. 10.—Students of the Billings Polytechnic Institute have voted in favor of a rule prohibiting the playing of jazz music in any of the institute buildings and have decided to confine dance programs there to one steps, two steps, waltzes and Virginia reels, eliminating the fox trot entirely.—*The Spokesman Review, Spokane, Wash.*

# Exchanges

## A REMARKABLE RECORD

At the Editor's Dinner following the Inter-fraternity Conference, in an informal talk with Mr. Phillips of Sigma Phi Epsilon, the remarkable record of their Indiana Alpha Chapter was brought to the editor's attention. This chapter concluded a most successful year last June, so successful, in fact, that a part of the profits for the year, amounting to one thousand dollars in all, was returned to the men paying dues that year. The question that at once arises has two answers—alumni control and the absolute requirement that fraternity dues be paid in time without exception.—*From the Tomahawk of Alpha Sigma Phi.*

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## THE NEWSPAPERS AND FRATERNITIES

"I hate B," Charles Lamb once declared. "But you don't know him," protested a hearer. "I know that," Elia confided. "I couldn't hate him if I did."

Isn't anti-fraternity sentiment grounded in the same frame of mind? It has been said that people always oppose what they do not understand. The fact is as old as the world itself. Adam fled from the darkness of the first night because he did not understand; but when he saw the light of day again, his fear was forever dissolved, and he slept.

How much is the tendency of newspapers to spread ugly stories about fraternities actually due to a lack of knowledge of fraternities **on the part of the reading public?** We all know the tendency. If the opportunity is present, the innocent circumstance becomes an incriminating fact. The incriminating fact becomes a glorious fiction.

To illustrate. Only a few months ago the New York papers devoted considerable space to a story concerning a fraternity initiation. The boys involved were arrested for disorderly conduct. As fortune would have it, Delta Sigma Phi was declared to be the offending fraternity.

The simple fact was this. The offenders happened to be a small, unknown group of high school students—having no

connection whatsoever with Delta Sigma Phi or any national college fraternity. But the story would have lost all its news value if the facts had been adhered to. As always happens in such cases the truth will never catch up with the slander.

There are many such instances of misrepresentation. Evidently all of it is "news." But why? Perhaps part of the answer is to be found in the public's desire to look upon the **genus student** as a comic character. He affects odd styles of clothes; he cuts queen antics at sports; and he cultivates strange ways of establishing himself in the social life of the college.

To the public evidently the fraternity epitomizes all the oddities of college customs. They are secret. They are mysterious. They do most of their work in the dark—except when some fool initiation is pulled off. To the outside world their purpose seems to be to hide the best and parade the worst.

Now the newspaper aims to give the public what it wants. It wants scandalous stories of illicit liquor traffic; salacious tales of social indiscretions; mysterious whisperings of outrageous initiations. And the public is bound to get what it wants—till the public is educated otherwise.

There's the nub of the matter. Of all the fine, noble activities of the fraternity, the public hears not a word. Here is the case of a brother, about to drop out of college because of financial misfortune, who is enabled through the generosity of his brothers to go on to graduation. Here is the case of a brother, afflicted with tuberculosis, who is sent, through the generosity of his brothers, to a resort where he is nursed back to good health. How many such cases have you heard? Fraternity history is full of the romances of an idealistic brotherhood elevated to the basis of reality. But of these things we are always forgetful. Perhaps properly so. But we doubt it.

Let the Publicity Committee of the Interfraternity Conference have these facts. Give this committee all the assistance you can. For it can do great things, if it has a real understanding of its opportunity; a broad, sympathetic imagination; and a zeal to do the biggest service that can possibly be done the fraternity system.—From *The Carnation of Delta Sigma Phi*.

### MAKING THE MARE GO

Herbert W. Congdon, secretary of Delta Upsilon and editor of its quarterly, reported to the editors' dinner of the Interfraternity Conference of 1921 a remarkable plan by which the number of alumni subscribers to his magazine had been increased in a short period from 1,800 to triple that number. Briefly, the plan changed the alumni "subscription" to "alumni dues." Former subscriptions of \$1.50 became alumni dues of \$3.00.

Alumni paid \$3.00 annual dues, or commuted the dues for life at \$50, and received a membership in their chapter of initiation, which carried with it the right of ballot on all things except the election of officers, the choice of delegates to conventions, taxation of active members, and those things which were obviously the concern of actives only. Then the fraternity turns around and says to the alumnus who has thus paid his dues, that for the period for which he has paid the fraternity magazine will be sent to him free.

The plan being put in force, dues began to flow in, and the fraternity magazine was mailed to a rapidly-increasing group of alumni. Alumni zeal increased and the magazine and the whole fraternity benefited thereby.

It was interesting, therefore, that the increased mailing list, which last year amounted to over 5,000, was still, at a recent issue, 5,300. Including "dead heads," which have been dropped, it once reached 6,700. When one realizes that this figure is 40 per cent of the total living membership of Delta Upsilon, estimated at about 13,000, one appreciates what a task has been accomplished.

It was pleasing to hear Mr. Congdon report that he believed the dues might as well have been placed at \$5.00 as \$3.00. They could have been gotten as easily. Also that a number who might have commuted at \$50 for life actually forwarded voluntarily as high as \$60. Delta Upsilon has thus acquired an endowment fund of over \$41,000. It has received \$3,000 in unsolicited subscriptions thereto within the last year. It has collected 10 per cent more of alumni dues this year than in the previous year; 39.7 per cent living alumni are on the paid list. Every freshman initiated now understands that he will be expected to pay his alumni dues and many serious take their graduation presents and volun-

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tarily commute for life at \$50 each. The younger men in the fraternity are easier to sell this proposition to. The difficult ones are the very old alumni.

It might be supposed that there would be objection to giving alumni a vote in the active chapter. As a matter of fact, Mr. Congdon stated, their active chapters raised no such objection, and out of all the number only two alumni voiced such an objection. All objections to the plan have now disappeared from his fraternity.

The writer was interested to know what had been the slogan that "sold" this plan to the alumni of Delta Upsilon. Mr. Congdon replied, "A man once a Delta Upsilon is always a Delta Upsilon. Therefore contribute to the organization." The alumnus was forced to entertain the proposition that he should pay his share of the expense just as the undergraduate paid his. The fraternity did not cease its benefits to him at his graduation. He should obviously, therefore, continue to pay one-half of his annual dues for the support of the fraternity while receiving for the other half the magazine which is sent to him.

If results can be duplicated, the Delta Upsilon plan may well be applied to other fraternities.—*From the Caduceus of Kappa Sigma.*

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### THE MILLENIUM

Our idea of a fellow  
Who has a drag with the  
Girls is one who  
Kisses them and then  
Pushes them away  
Saying they can't  
Have any more.

—Yale Record

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To tell a woman's age take the length of her skirt, add to this the age indicated by her way, subtract the length of her line, add what she says her age is and divide the total by the number of times she has been engaged.—Tennessee Jade.

# Chapter News Articles

VIRGINIA ALPHA CHAPTER

RICHMOND UNIVERSITY

E. H. Snead

Just before Christmas Virginia Alpha decided to try to give several people less fortunate than ourselves a little enjoyment in the joyful season and as a result we selected three orphans and prepared a Christmas tree for them in our meeting rooms. There is no doubt about their appreciation as any one that was present Christmas morning can assure you. We are very sorry that we have been unable to get a picture of the children for this issue of the Journal.

Our representative to the Eleventh Grand Chapter Conclave, Brother H. A. Wright, reported a very successful convention at Des Moines the week following Christmas. Sincere thanks are due the Alumni and active members of the State of Iowa for the splendid program arranged for the amusement of the visiting brothers.

This season was very successful for U. of R. in football. Turkey Day gave us another victory over our old rivals, William and Mary. Two of our brothers made the coveted "R," Brothers E. H. Snead, fullback, and Y. M. Hodges, left guard

Our only former Varsity basketball man was unable to go out when the call was made for basketball material. Brother S. K. McKee, Jr., was elected captain of the freshman team and is making an excellent showing on the floor.

Regarding our social season, besides several smokers, etc., we gave an informal dance on December 7, 1921, which was a success in every respect.

We were delighted to have with us several brothers from the Medical College of Virginia and also brothers from Virginia Zeta Chapter on this occasion.

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WEST VIRGINIA BETA

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

R. T. Schaffner

Twenty-two alumni of West Virginia Beta of Sigma Phi Epsilon were greeted by the active members of the chapter at a reunion which was held on Thanksgiving day of 1921. The

old grads were first escorted to the annual gridiron classic with Washington and Jefferson College which took place in the afternoon. In the evening a banquet was given at the chapter house in honor of the brothers of former days.

This was the first time in its history that the local chapter was visited by such a large delegation of alumni. Their presence, and their advice left a lasting impression upon those who are still preparing for their life work.

Mid-year examinations brought to a close the undergraduate days of French L. Miles, who completed his work for the degree of Bachelor of Science of Agriculture. For nearly three years Miles was treasurer of the chapter, and it was through his untiring efforts and good judgment that the fraternity was at all times found in good financial standing.

Miles was also just as active in his scholastic work. More than once he took first place on the various University judging teams. Twice he represented West Virginia University at the International Livestock Show in Chicago, and on both occasions did creditable work, winning first place once, and taking a third on another occasion.

In the field of athletics Sigma Phi Epsilon has been well represented at West Virginia. Joseph V. Harrick playing at right tackle was one of the best of the Varsity linemen. Irwin R. Lytle, and Stephen Harrick were substitutes at quarterback and fullback respectively. The two Harrick brothers—Stephen and Joseph V.—are also members of the Varsity wrestling team. "Joe" wrestling in the unlimited class and Steve in the 135-pound division have so far been undefeated this season. Fred Funk is a member of the Varsity basketball squad.

Interest is running high this year in the Interfraternity basketball league, Sigma Phi Epsilon having won the trophy last year. Practically the same team which took first place last year will again represent the fraternity.

In scholastic standing Sigma Phi Epsilon ranked sixth among the twelve fraternities on the campus last year. While this is about mid-way between first and last place there was but four points difference between the winners of first place and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Along the lines of campus activities Sigma Phi Epsilon has shown up well this year. Eugene H. Moyle and Carl Johnson were initiated into the Torch and Serpent Society, an inter-

fraternity social organization. Moyle and Robert Widmeyer were initiated into Phi Beta Pi, a national medical fraternity which was only recently installed at West Virginia. Bacon Hardee and Moyle were initiated into Phi Sigma Nu, which is a national inter-medical fraternity. Glenn Lazelle, captain-elect of the track team, and Widmeyer were initiated into the "Mountain" which is an honorary organization for the seniors, and the biggest honor society on the campus.

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**ILLINOIS ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS****C. H. Freark**

In the absence of our honorable historian, D. C. Patten, who is fortunate enough to be able to go home between semesters, the task of preparing this letter falls upon the secretary. With the semester exams over, a feeling of relief and reckless abandon prevails in this camp.

After my personal contact with the representatives from our sister chapters at the Conclave, I experience a feeling of intimacy in this letter toward the other chapters that is of real pleasure. May the spirit of friendship and fraternity kindled at the Conclave be kept alive until we assemble again. The chapter was immensely pleased with the reports the delegates brought back from the Conclave, and heartily endorsed the accomplishments of that assembly.

The alumni directors of the Fourth District Alumni Association are working on articles of incorporation for this district organization and it is hoped something tangible and definite can be presented in the next edition of our chapter letter. It appears at the present writing as if a corporation not for pecuniary profit would suit our purposes best. The procedure for securing a certificate of organization simply requires the submission of an application to the Secretary of State together with a fee of \$10 in Illinois, stating the name, object, location and who shall manage the corporation.

Such a corporation under Illinois laws has power to hold, purchase and transfer real and personal property, and to borrow money and pledge its property as security. The course of action that seems simplest is to have the alumni of each chapter organize a corporation not for pecuniary profit. Only three

applicants are necessary to secure such a certificate of incorporation. The real and personal property of the chapter can then be vested in its alumni corporation.

With the chapter alumni corporations complete, the District Alumni corporation can be organized as a corporation not for pecuniary profit; two alumni representatives from each of the chapter alumni corporations serving as a Board of Directors for the District corporation. The District Corporation is primarily an operating company, but it has the legal power to hold, purchase and transfer real and personal property and to borrow money.

We shall be pleased to have suggestions from any of our sister chapters in regard to this matter.

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**COLORADO ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO****John H. Marschner**

Colorado Alpha again faces another quarter of grinding work. In our casualty list of last quarter, freshmen predominated. But ten of fourteen are now in school. Three ex-pledges hope to return next quarter. With the determination to make good, they should make good Sigma Phi Epsilons. This experience has taught them a lesson—some mid-night work must be done. We hope to institute a system which will make it impossible for a man to go blissfully along through a whole quarter of work, not realizing the strictness of the standards of the school until the final examination grades are posted.

The Building and Loan Association is approaching its work with a serious aspect. They own lots and are driving for funds which will put us on the road toward owning our own home. They were fortunate in securing the best site possible; located as it is, just across the street from the campus.

Members of the Alumni who have stopped in to see us are: James Brown, Chester Schrepferman, Charles Brown, Dyer Thomas, Donald Maynard, Victor Adams, William Adamis, Jay Schiedlér, Charles De Longchamps, Jake Phelps, Peter Nelson, Rodney MacDonald, Frank MacDonald, Drix Henderson, Fred Zimmerman, Archibald Heaton, Fred Heaton, Carl Heaton, Bob Russell, Frank Jennings, Jerome Johnson.

In campus activities, Sigma Phi Epsilon had two men on the football team: Captain Carl Fulghum and John Zanoni. Under Fulghum's leadership the University of Colorado took the state championship.

Although it is early to make any predictions, Rodney Bell, Varsity basketball center, looks good for all-conference honors. The Varsity has held the basketball championship for the past four years and although we are not over confident, we hope to win this year.

We are well represented in the theatrical line, Austin Kilkenny and Jack Salisbury taking the leading parts in the two plays produced. Along with John Zanoni and Kendrick Cushing they took part in several Little Theatre Plays. Our chapter president, Vasco Seavy, is leading the Varsity debating team.

Last year six of the boys won track letters and prospects look bright for at least that many this year. Baseball looms but two months away and at least four men should win their monograms. Irving Morris will captain the team this year.

In class activities, Joseph Connelly was elected President of the Freshmen, Ralph Boulton, Treasurer of the Sophomores, and Carl Fulghum, Vice-President of the Seniors.

We are pleased with the results accomplished at the Conclave and are working for a better and bigger Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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**PENNSYLVANIA DELTA****UNI. OF PENNSYLVANIA****J. H. Pugh.**

The last months of 1921 have been especially busy ones for Pennsylvania Delta, both as to school work and activities. So far the chapter is quite well satisfied with the results which have been achieved since the last chapter letter was written. Among the Engineers, Henry Ford is Vice-President of the Engineering Association and Charlie Foppert is Secretary and Treasurer. Charlie was also recently elected to membership in the Hexagon Senior Society. Amos Emery was elected Secretary of the Architectural Society and is a member of the Class Record board. Albert F. Dagit and Charles F. Felton are also on the Record board. Ray Hoadley's hard work for

the "Red and Blue" has been rewarded by his election to the business board of that paper. Harold Mortye is holding down a regular position on the swimming team. We were particularly gratified when a recent "census" showed that every Sophomore in the chapter is interested in some university activity in addition to his studies.

The new year finds us bending every effort toward rushing season, now only a few weeks off. The Rushing Committee has worked out an elaborate program, and our list of names is already large and is growing daily.

The house has been repainted and papered and all minor repairs necessary to put it in first class condition have been made; in short, everything possible has been done to create a favorable impression for the fraternity. We are all looking forward to the coming season with confidence in our ability to uphold the reputation of Sigma Phi Epsilon and to present to the fraternity at large in the next Journal a freshman class that we shall have reason to be proud of.

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**VIRGINIA DELTA****COLLEGE OF W. & M.**

**O. F. Northington, Jr.**

Virginia Delta has at last decided upon a definite step toward building a Chapter House. As yet the plans are not mature enough to be submitted to the fraternity at large, but the interests of all the active brothers and some of our Alumni has been thoroughly aroused. Brother Webster P. Barnes and Brother Jesse S. Locaby have been appointed as a committee to look into the matter, and we believe that our Alumni will support the project when they are acquainted with the facts in the case.

Reports from the Alumni are to the effect that they are highly pleased with the letters which they have received from the chapter. The letter is to be a thing of regular occurrence in the future and by next session it is hoped that we will be able to make it a chapter publication.

Leslie W. Simmons has been chosen as our Chapter Alumni Adviser. Brother Simmons is a Professor of Chemistry in the college, and while in school he was very active in college life.

He attends our meetings regularly, and we owe much of our success to him.

In the awarding of football monograms J. F. Wilson received his fourth. Besides being captain of the team, he is business manager of the Colonial Echo, the college year book; interfraternity council; President of the chapter; President of Alpha Kappa Psi, commercial fraternity; Cotillion Club, and B. I. C. Ribbon Society.

J. C. Phillips left school in December to take the Rhoades Scholarship Examinations. He will be with us again in February. The chapter will welcome his return, for he is one of the most representative men on the campus. He is a member of the interfraternity council; Alpha Kappa Psi; Flat Hat Club (club of the most influential men in the student body); cheer leader; Glee Club; Dramatic Club; Cotillion Club, T. N. T. Ribbon Society, and Vice-President of the chapter.

F. F. Cline made an excellent report on the Conclave, and he expressed himself as being very much impressed with the hospitality of the Des Moines and Chicago Alumni Chapters. Besides being our delegate to the Conclave, Brother Cline is a member of the Chi Beta Phi scientific fraternity; tennis club; Cotillion Club; college pianist; and is a member of the Baptist City Church choir.

Our only representative on the basketball squad is Durwood E. Denton, a this year's initiate. Brother Denton is showing up well and although last year's entire squad is back he has gotten in all of the home games.

All the brothers are at present preparing for examinations. However, there are many thoughts of the second term which begins on the first of February. Besides Brother Phillips there are two of last year's chapter who expect to return: Brothers W. S. Manson, Jr., and W. T. Burch. Also there are two pledges to be initiated after examinations. This will swell the chapter to a roll of eighteen. Then there are Brothers L. W. Simmons and A. P. Elliot in the faculty, and Brother W. H. Chetham who is principal of Williamsburg High School. Taking everything into consideration the second term will be the best in the history of the chapter.

**OHIO ALPHA****OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY****Morton Wiseman**

The Ohio Alpha Chapter is heartily in accord with the majority of the resolutions passed at the recent Grand Chapter Conclave. J. V. Sawyer brought back a very interesting and thorough report of the proceedings, especially emphasizing the financial system for chapter financial control as outlined by C. S. Becker. Although the present system is really a modified form of that system, the chapter believes it could be bettered by the substitution of Becker's plan.

In order to do this it would also be necessary to put the Alumni Chapters on the same basis as the Active Chapters. The present Ohio Alpha Alumni Chapter is organized, but further than that is almost inactive. With a little effort no doubt the Alumni could be made to realize their responsibilities and take an active part in the work.

Five Sig Eps, J. V. Sawyer, S. B. Seitz, L. W. Cummings, A. W. Lewis, and P. H. Shank were awarded letters at the close of the football season. This was the first season on the Varsity for Lewis and Shank, but they were rated among the best on the team. The present roster of the basketball squad contains the names of L. W. Cummings and Nolan Smith as our representatives. In the intra-mural league the Sig Eps are easily the class of them all, having made an average score of 40-10 in each game played so far.

Combining the annual and alumni parties, a mammoth formal party will be staged at the Lima Club, Lima, O., on February 24, 1922.

A cordial invitation is extended to all members of all Chapters. Anyone desiring to attend can secure further necessary information by writing to the Chapter House. Following this party an attempt will be made to revive the Lima Alumni Chapter.

Although athletics has been the principal form of activity, other interests have not been neglected. Scholarship receives its merited amount of attention and is one of the essential requirements in the choice of candidates for pledges. Several of the Brothers hold responsible offices and positions in the various school and inter-fraternal organizations.

C. M. Carhart, '22, has recently been appointed to the assistant business managership of the 1922 Northern Annual.

He is an instructor in Mechanical Drawing, vice president and member of the executive committee of the American Association of Engineers.

In the recent annual Minstrel Show, the theatrical talent of the Fraternity was upheld by Harry Poulston, J. V. Sawyer, Walter B. Kelly, and John Kiernan, all of whom performed brilliantly.

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**INDIANA ALPHA****PURDUE UNIVERSITY****G. H. Porteus**

Indiana Alpha is earnestly striving to uphold the standard of Sigma Phi Epsilon at Purdue University. Although lacking somewhat in scholarship, she has carried off a lion's share of campus activities.

G. G. Slater has won a position on the Varsity swimming team, completing the forty-yard dash and is one of the men on the relay team. B. H. Jeup, by virtue of his capacity as student-manager of minor sports of the University, also makes trips with the team.

One of the foremost of our men in student activities is H. S. Crain, who is leading the student Y. M. C. A. He is a member of the Contour Society, the honorary Civil Engineering Society, and Tau Beta Phi, honorary engineering fraternity, whose membership is based on scholarship record and general school activities. On many occasions he has given before the student body demonstrations of his rare ability in the art of magic.

Including the list of pledges to Sigma Xi, honorary national scientific research fraternity, was C. R. Hanna. He also boasts of membership in Eta Kappa Nu, honorary Electrical Engineering fraternity, and Tau Beta Pi.

The fraternity scholarship record for the second semester in 1920-21 bore disastrous news for Sigma Phi Epsilon. Due almost entirely to the indifference of two brothers, who had no intentions of returning to school again, our ranking fell to thirteenth place in the group of twenty-six Greek-letter fraternities. For several semesters previous to this, our ranking had ranged from first to sixth; therefore everything possible is being done this semester to retrieve our lost honors.

J. R. Michel has his old place on the programs of the University Glee Club, at its many concerts in various surrounding cities; that of violin soloist. His superiority on that stringed instrument was soon demonstrated when he came here four years ago, but still he receives a goodly number of encores.

As rewards of faithful earnest work, Amos W. Butner was awarded a minor "P" and W. J. Bartholomew was promoted to Lieutenant-colonel and R. A. Schakel to Major in the F. A. R. O. T. C.

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**NEW YORK ALPHA****SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY****George G. Felt.**

Block letters almost grew on trees this year for New York Alpha. At least that is how it seemed to most of the chapter. In reality they were as hard earned as the gold dust collected from the American Eagle. The brothers who have earned them this last year are Paul E. Jappe, James G. Frugone and Harold V. Hart.

The first man, Jappe, is a graduate of Commercial High School, Brooklyn, where he was a stellar tackle. He entered Syracuse with the class of '22 and was a valuable asset to the freshmen team. After his first year he left college to work with his brother in Brooklyn. The following year he returned and was soon out fighting for a place on the squad. His playing was very consistent and steady and he soon was playing regularly. The position of right tackle was also desired by many other men, but Jappe was supreme and came out of the season with a hard earned letter.

Frugone was also another "come back" as he had left college for a semester. He also graduated from Commercial High School, Brooklyn. Before leaving college he had won his letters for playing in some of the games. He won his letter for the second time this year, but as a backfield man, playing sometimes at quarter and sometimes at fullback positions. He has had to work very hard to earn his letter due to the number of men that were competing against him for backfield positions. One of Frugone's notable achievements both years is the way in which he played in the games against Dartmouth. For some unknown reason he is in his element playing against that

team and he carried off all the honors in both games as well as victory.

Hart is a senior this year and sets a worthy example of what sticking to track will do. He has been running for four years and at last won his track letter. When he came to college as a freshman he set his mind on getting a block "S" and went out regularly for cross-country. Although he is not a stellar runner he is a "sticker" and a hard man to run against. This year he was on the varsity team and well set so that no one could take his place from him.

Along with the athletic activities the social life has not been neglected. Of worthy note among the latter events was the annual Round-Up Banquet for the Alumni. A "royal feed" was the climax of this Round-Up. Among the notables that were there were Brothers Bryant, '09, of Ohio Alpha and Brother Mason of Ohio Epsilon. Both of these brothers are professors here this year. Of our own alumni the most noted were Brother Clifford Hoople, '15, who is a commercial artist of worthy notice, having painted several magazine covers, among them being a series for the Country Gentleman Magazine; Brother Howard Lester, '18, and Brother Stokes, '06. The latter two came all the way from Worcester, Mass., to help the Round-Up and also look over and take care of the financial policies of New York Alpha. At this Round-Up a City Alumni organization was started that gives hope for a very strong association and will keep the city Alumni in closer touch with the active chapter.

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#### VIRGINIA EPSILON

#### WASHINGTON AND LEE UNI.

##### B. C. Shelton

Returning after the Christmas holidays with the loss of three pledges, Virginia Epsilon has begun a most successful year. The chapter is at present most interested in the Fancy Dress Ball which is the university's most gala occasion and with the oncoming fraternity basketball season. A mid-winter house party is being planned by the chapter. The annual fraternity banquet was given in honor of the new brothers who were taken into Sigma Phi Epsilon upon their return for the second session.

D. O. Ritchie was elected to lead the chapter in the fraternity basketball race and in this he has had conferred upon him an honor that rarely comes to a new brother. Ritchie is from Bay Shore, N. Y., and was initiated in January.

The fraternity banquet was given in honor of the new brothers and the entire chapter was present, showing the old spirit of Virginia Epsilon is still alive. All present were called on for short talks and each responded in words befitting the occasion.

W. K. Smith, Clifton Forge, Va., and G. L. Cothran, Sumter, S. C., will represent us in the Fancy Dress Ball figure.

We recently enjoyed visits from R. G. Hunt, Virginia Eta, now at V. M. I., and W. H. DuBose, also of Virginia Eta.

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**VIRGINIA ZETA****RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE**

**L. H. Bracey**

The Virginia Zeta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon returns after the new year with a feeling of confidence and a zest for the struggle to help do its share in putting Sigma Phi Epsilon at the head of the fraternity list. The great number of cards and letters received during the holidays by Virginia Zeta from her sister chapters throughout the United States showed the excellent feeling that exists between the chapters, and was a great help in impressing the new men with the magnitude and the spirit of Sigma Phi Epsilon. From the tenor of Brother W. H. Smith's accounts of the Conclave and the feeling of the chapters in our district, every man in the Virginia Zeta Chapter realizes the dignity and unity of Sigma Phi Epsilon as a compact national organization.

The basketball season at Randolph-Macon has started with a slump in our market quotation. Brothers L. W. Diggs and R. W. Walker, members of the squad, are doing their bit to show that Sigma Phi Epsilon is interested even in a losing team.

Brother E. F. Gillette was a member of the track team sent to Atlanta for participation in the Southern meet. The track meet was successful as such, but to Randolph-Macon only inasmuch as they avoided being listed as "also ran." The athletes for this season have been other than one would wish for,

but the worm must turn and baseball offers a clean sheet on which success may be written in big type.

Brother E. S. Sheppe, Jr., has been elected from Washington Literary Society to represent that body in the Inter-State Oratorical preliminary, which will be held early this spring.

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**GEORGIA ALPHA CHAPTER  
GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY**

**V. L. Borum**

The holidays are now a thing of past memories—whether they be good or bad—and, with the new year, there always comes various resolutions for the betterment of all. Among the many things, comes one of the best from the Conclave, for then the realization of the meaning of our duties are brought more clearly to us. From all reports the delegates had a very interesting time and through this one gathering, many things for the good of our fraternity will be accomplished.

Plans are now under way at Georgia Alpha to build a new chapter house. Mid the co-operation of our Alumni, combined with some of the features at the Conclave—the actual construction of this new home will soon be started. "Going up to the house" will have a different meaning, for this will be a monument of which we will all be justly proud. Always there will be that haven for visiting brothers, but a Sigma Phi Epsilon house, which will carry the embodiments of comfort and of home, will be of much more pride to the chapter than a mere chapter house.

As the plans for this home progress, there is also another thing that should be given consideration and in the last issue of the Journal there were several editorials, which should be noted by every Sigma Phi Epsilon. These editorials were in regard to the treatment of visitors and the conduct around the house. Young chaps are at times inclined to be lax about such things, but if articles like that were more often read and followed this neglect around the house would soon be overcome. Let every man pledge himself to be a better Journal reader in the future. Let's have more articles of real value to every Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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Football is over and basketball is now on. Several brothers are out for the Varsity team, and as soon as their season is over fraternity games will be played for the championship.

Sigma Phi Epsilon also stands well scholastically at Tech. Our rating last year was third place out of twelve fraternities. This year we should even be in a better position judging from the number of exemptions in the chapter from the finals which begin on January 23rd.

In the social life at "Tech," Sigma Phi Epsilon has begun again an old custom—that of house dances. On the night of January 21st the first of a series of these affairs was given, and proved to be very much more practical and enjoyable than the dances given in years previous. Instead of the formal dances given each year by each fraternity, there are to be given three Pan-Hellenics each year. The first of these was given on the Friday night preceding the Christmas holidays, and was very enjoyable. Combining these dances with the various house dances will make the social life at "Tech" take a very different aspect, and interest will pick up.

The Alumni have taken more interest this year, and soon we will be able to boast "Our Home" through their efforts. All thanks to them, for they are the backbone of the work.

A new era for the Journal is at hand. All success for a better Journal for the betterment of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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#### **DELAWARE ALPHA**

#### **UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**

##### **Carl T. Wise**

In the few months that have elapsed since the last letter Delaware Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon at the University of Delaware has annexed quite a few honors on the campus despite the fact that the period covered always sees the low mark of student activities at Delaware. Five men have been awarded the Varsity "D" for football, two are playing Varsity basketball, several members were elected to the staff of the "Blue Hen," the biennial publication of the upper classmen, and several social functions were held.

Thirteen Delaware men received Varsity letters in football this past season. Of these, four were Sigma Phi Epsilons and

one a pledge. They were Walter D. Holton, '22, captain of the team; Louis E. Roemer, '22, manager of the team; Howard P. Young, '22; Merwyn A. Akin, '24, and William McKelvie, '25, a pledge. J. Harmer Donaldson, '24, veteran of the 1920 season, lacked a few minutes necessary to receive a letter as he was laid up several weeks with an injury. Isaac S. Elliott, '24, and Henry J. Betzmer, '24, veterans of the 1920 season, were not out for the team due to conditions in school work. J. Paul Wintrup, '23, veteran of the 1919 team and incapacitated in the 1920 season, was assistant coach. These five letter men gave Delaware Alpha more Varsity "D's" out of the number awarded than any other fraternity chapter on the campus.

In basketball, which has been underway but three weeks, Henry J. Betzmer, '24, and Ralph France, '25, a pledge, are playing Varsity ball. William F. P. Jacobs, '22, is manager of the team, and G. Gray Carter, '22, is assistant coach.

The election of the 1922-23 "Ben Hur" Board took place early in December. Carl T. Wise, '23, from Delaware Alpha was elected editor-in-chief of the staff. Frank D. Strickler, '23, T. Johnson Rowan, '23, Isaac S. Elliott, '24, and Leroy Cochran, '24, were also named on the board.

On Saturday evening, December 3, the chapter's first informal dance was held. On Friday, January 13, the formal was held in Old College. Nearly one hundred couples, members of the active and alumni chapter, and invited guests, attended. The affair was conceded to be the best fraternity dance ever given at Delaware. The "Commons" in which room the dance was held, was decorated to represent an Oriental garden. A Japanese pergola was placed in the center of the floor and from the top of it, hundreds of various colored strips of paper radiated to the walls of the room, making a multi-colored canopy. T. Johnson Rowan originated the decoration. Programs were in the shape of Japanese lanterns with purple and red cords. The ladies received small bud vases as souvenirs.

In March work on Delaware Alpha's new chapter house is to start. The contract calls for its completion by September, 1922; so it can be occupied when the chapter members return to college in the fall.

Interfraternity feeling at Delaware is much better at present than it has been for several years. In fact, little or no friction exists.

Walter Dent Smith, '22, represented Delaware Alpha at the Eleventh Grand Chapter Conclave. He has urged that the constitutional changes be ratified and that the "Becker Plan" be adopted by the local chapter. His Conclave impressions regarding the future of the fraternity were summed up in the last sentence of his report as follows:

"With a spirit of progress and unanimity as expressed at the 1921 Conclave and with active work and accomplishment by the individuals making up the various chapters, nothing can stop us from becoming the leading Greek-letter fraternity within the next ten years."

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**VIRGINIA ETA CHAPTER****UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA**

**Leslie K. Dyer**

The new year opened up with about half of the active brothers back on time. The others returned from one day to a week late; evidently they were detained for some good reason, which they consider entirely personal—not even brotherly love and confidence will suffice to make them divulge everything! However, out of justice to the few, we can say that they lived so far away that they could not get back on time and still consider that they had had a holiday. As for those who could have returned but didn't, we can only assume that "the invisible bonds that bind" proved stronger than the desire to return to the field of endeavor. Withal, we feel sure that the extended leave (self-extended) has not proved to be a detriment, but rather, an incentive to harder work—for ere now we are all at work again.

Virginia Eta took a bold step last spring and purchased a new house—on the easy payment play—"one dollar down, and a dollar when they catch you." The new house is situated on Rugby Road about a seven-minute hike from the Lawn. Owing to the suburban location we were able to make the purchase upon very desirable terms. The initial payment of \$1,500 was made possible by contributions from the Alumni and several active brothers, who paid off their old "House Fund" notes. The remaining \$8,500 is secured by deed of trust which is payable in annual notes of \$1,000 each. The first annual payment is to be met the latter part of March.

No definite plan has been formulated as to how this amount shall be raised, but with a determined Sigma Phi Epsilon spirit we shall be at the bank at the proper time—with the cash in hand! This obligation is being met primarily by the active brothers; however, we will gladly accept any donations from our Alumni, as the necessary running expenses and new house furnishings are giving the brothers a pretty heavy strain on their bank accounts. At present nine of our number claim our recently acquired house as their erstwhile domicile.

Simultaneously with the new year came an old brother, Risden J. DeFord of Tennessee Alpha. Brother DeFord was with us last year, but did not return when college opened last fall. We are, nevertheless, glad to have him back with us at this late date.

Edward J. Ottenheimer and Isaac L. Harshbarger were appointed internes in the University Hospital last spring, and they are rendering a very good account of themselves in that capacity. Aside from holding this position, Brother Ottenheimer is a member of Ailpha Omega Alpha, an honorary national medical fraternity; also he has worked his way to membership in The Ravens, a local honorary society whose members are elected upon scholastic merit.

In a recent medical examination held in Boston for the purpose of selecting men for hospital vacancies in that city, Ottenheimer was one of the eight selected out of a total of one hundred and nine applicants. He was appointed surgical interne to the Massachusetts General Hospital, and will take up his duties there on the first of January next year, after receiving his degree here next June.

In athletics we are represented by R. N. Stephens, Jr., and H. M. DuBose. Brother Stephens remained on the football squad practically all season—until he unfortunately fractured his shoulder during scrimmage. DuBose's attention is at present directed toward the success of the first year basketball team. He is also a member of the University boxing squad.

Louis F. Hickey who returned to college in September after an absence of two years, was forced to leave us shortly before Christmas on account of ill health. We have not heard from him since he went back to Yankeeland, but we sincerely trust he is much improved by this time.

We have had two visits from Dr. Millard B. Savage, Alumnus of 1921. He, after receiving his sheepskin last June, hiked

for the wild and woolly country of West Virginia, there to practice medicine. Fortunately for the West Virginians he got there in time for the coal miners' strike of last summer. Judging from the tales he relates, he must have had some wonderful experiences while there. Savage has now accepted a place in a hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Since his last visit, en route to Minneapolis, we have not heard from him except to mention the fact that the thermometer persists in hovering around twenty below—and at that rate he could not afford to venture outside of the hospital to procure the articles necessary to correspondence. We hope that they may have an early spring in Minnesota this year!

Jack Kennan of Missouri Alpha, who now resides in Charlottesville, is a frequent visitor. In fact, we almost regard him as an active brother, so numerous are his visits and so great his interest in our welfare. We are always glad to have him, and only wish that we had more like him around us.

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**PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON****LEHIGH UNIVERSITY****J. C. Swartley**

During the half of the college year just completed Pennsylvania Epsilon has accomplished a great deal. Everyone of the members is interested in some activity outside the required scholastic work and the fraternity is becoming better known about the campus. The new house is proving itself well worth the trouble necessary to procure it and the chapter is better located than it has been for a long time. Although Lehigh does not make a rating of fraternity chapter scholarship there is little doubt that the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon rate much higher than the average.

The active membership is twenty-two men, which is just about the capacity of the house. This permits every man to live in the house.

In athletics the men have been engaged in the winter sports, soccer, basketball, wrestling and swimming. Three members of Sigma Phi Epsilon have been regulars on the Lehigh soccer team; Carlos A. Fernandez, Marcello E. Bonnemaison and Godofredo M. deMenezes. Fernandez in particular has been universally considered the best player on the Lehigh squad and

by all critics has been chosen for the All-Pennsylvania Scholastic team.

John B. Verlenden is a regular on the freshman basketball team and Reginald S. Pitts is on the wrestling squad. Several of the other men are variously interested in winter track, lacrosse and swimming.

Six men from the house are interested in the college musical clubs; Charles M. Alford, John B. Verlenden, Herbert W. Rich, James C. Crawford, Frank J. Stott and Herbert G. Bedell. This gives Sigma Phi Epsilon a larger representation of the clubs than any other fraternity chapter.

In journalistic lines Charles M. Alford is on the editorial board and John C. Swartley on the business board of the Brown and White, the college newspaper.

The house which Pennsylvania Epsilon now occupies is a large comfortable place centrally located to both the town and the university. At the beginning of the year quite a little money was spent to put the house in first class condition and to buy some needed new furniture.

The Interfraternity Pool Tournament will start early next term and the house team has a reputation to uphold as last year the Sigma Phi Epsilon men managed to win the championship. The team will probably be composed of Charles J. Dunkle, John R. Milligan and Frederick D. Snyder.

William H. Waltz who can throw the discus and put the shot further than any man in college, is practicing and preparing to win new laurels during the spring.

Charles J. Dunkle, Bus. '22, has the highest average of any man in his course and although a student, is an assistant in the Department of Economics and History. Several other men stand unusually well in their courses.

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**OHIO GAMMA****OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY****O. A. Bower**

A number of things have caused Ohio Gamma Chapter to come into the spotlight, and the greatest of these causes was the announcement made not long ago, that Sigma Phi Epsilon held first place in the scholarship standing of the fifty or more

fraternities at Ohio State University, for the semester ending June, 1921. The previous semester eight fraternities were ahead of Sigma Phi Epsilon, and this acquiring of first place, the result of hard study and endeavor, has put confidence into the hearts of the members of Ohio Gamma, and a determination to do their utmost to hold this coveted position. This is the first time in its history that Ohio Gamma Chapter has held first place in scholarship, and, in the opinions of the members, it will not be the last time.

This year also, for the first time, the chapter is giving the budget system a trial and at the present time it seems to be working out very satisfactorily although the success or failure of the plan cannot be fully determined until the conclusion of the year.

Ohio Gamma took a step toward increasing the intelligence of her pledges when she adopted the Western Conference rules for eligibility in initiating new members. This consists primarily in initiating only those candidates that successfully pass 30 hours and have no conditions or failures. It is possible that the faculty at Ohio State will soon require that all organizations adopt this ruling for initiates.

Philip W. Porter and Morris H. Philips have perhaps been most active in the placing of this fraternity as one of the most prominent on the campus. Brother Porter, at the beginning of the year, assumed the position of editor-in-chief of the Lantern, the University daily paper, and so holds one of the highest positions on the campus. Brother Philips, at the beginning of the year, was elected President of the Men's Pan-Hellenic Council, an inter-Greek organization and, besides holding this important position, is a member of Men's Student Council.

J. E. Pyror is Junior Baseball Manager, a member of the Junior Prom Committee, a member of Sigma Delta Pi, and President of the newly formed Commerce Club. In addition, he is in charge of ticket sales for all athletics at Ohio State.

W. S. McLain is a member of the University Band, a charter member of the Gray Baton, the band organization, assistant news editor of the Lantern, Publicity Manager and member of the Board of Directors of the band.

S. S. Conaway is a Sophomore member of Men's Student Council, publicity chairman of the Sophomore Football Dance,

and is now trying out for the position of Trip Manager of Scarlet Mask. This year he was given a Captaincy in the Military Department.

Other men who have helped greatly in the placing of the fraternity prominently on the campus are: O. A. Bower and E. A. Bauman, in the Agricultural College; N. H. Carran and C. L. Rowe, in the Law College; and W. P. Jenkins, R. R. Shaw, G. H. Wilkinson, E. C. Hess, A. L. Sutphen, G. H. Coleman, and R. H. Kaspar, in music circles.

Ohio Gamma has entered a team in every form of athletics that the intra-mural department of the University offered, including basketball, indoor baseball, soccer and bowling. The chapter won the championship of their league in indoor baseball, for which a silver loving cup was given.

The annual formal dance given by Ohio Gamma Chapter will take place at the Seneca Hotel, April 21, and will be in the form of a dinner-dance. Many Alumna are going to attend. O. A. Bower is chairman of the committee.

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**VERMONT ALPHA****NORWICH UNIVERSITY****J. H. Kane**

With the football season over, Christmas leaving just a memory, and Midyears holding in sight, the boys of Vermont Alpha are sticking pretty close to their quarters, and doing some concentrated studying. Everything will be very quiet all along the line until after examinations, then we propose to open up with our heaviest artillery and let everyone know we are in the fight.

The past rushing reason was most successful for us. We secured many of the best men in the freshman class, and look for big things from them in the future. Much praise is due D. B. Hollis, head of the Rushing Committee, for the efficient and able manner in which he did things this year.

Somewhat recently we have initiated thirteen men, announcement of which will appear in the September Journal. Among these new brothers we might mention that James J. Mahoney was a member of last year's football team and awarded his 'N,' J. F. Murphy is on the wrestling squad, M. E.

Clark is active in the military department, A. E. Boudreau has a high rating from the United States Coast Guard Academy and S. W. Densmore and F. M. Dingwell were both on the Freshman hop committees, Brother Densmore being also a member of the freshmen football team. A. G. Pencheon is treasurer of the freshman class and a member of the Varsity basketball squad, W. M. O'Nrien is secretary of the freshman class and on the freshman eleven and W. F. Dooling and Severance were also on the freshman team.

A society for the entertaining of visiting teams from other colleges has been formed by ten members of the sophomore class, chosen by the "N" club. This society first functioned at the Norwich-Clarkson game, and one of the Clarkson men told a member of the corps later that they were treated here the best of any college at which they ever played. It certainly is a step forward in the right direction toward creating a spirit of good sportsmanship among college men who meet in athletics. M. E. Clark and E. H. Sisson are spirited members of this society.

We were fortunate in securing some important promotions from the military department. D. V. Anderson was made a lieutenant in the Musketry Department, and J. F. Stevens was made a sergeant in the same department. Both men are expert riflemen and have made very enviable records in all the matches. L. W. Saunders was made a sergeant of Troop A, which fact bears out our statement that you can't keep a good man down.

Plans for the Freshman Hop are nearing completion, and the rooks promise us a party which will live long in our memories. The hop is to be held in the City Hall at Montpelier, on Thursday evening, February 9th.

Our pony polo team has already made its second trip this season to New York City where they played some of the Greater New York polo teams. H. H. Melloon and L. W. Saunders made the last trip and J. F. Stevens and L. E. Eaton are making strong bids for places on the team.

**ALABAMA ALPHA ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE****Hubert S. Drake**

The Alabama Alpha opened its 1921 school year with a roster of fifteen members. There were nine men pledged and these were the pick of the school. These men were initiated December 13, owing to a new rule established in the Pan-Hellenic Council. Unfortunately for the chapter several of its members have left school and at the present time there are only twelve active members.

The success of the chapter in securing new men was due in a large measure to the efforts of the rush committee which was composed of C. E. Leonard, F. M. Stewart, Ralph Brice and F. K. Houlin. These men, together with the help of the chapter, are to be commended for their splendid work.

For the past few years a house fund has been established every year, but owing to the general depression in finance this year, it has grown lax. A special committee has been appointed to re-establish this fund, and also to set plans on foot for an altogether new fund. It is hoped that within a short time this fund will be on its regular basis. Plans have also been made toward securing a new house for the coming year.

It will be interesting to know that a drive has been recently launched for a Greater Auburn and the goal is two million dollars. W. G. Fowler of Montgomery, Alabama, one of Alabama Alpha's Alumni, has been appointed to act on the executive committee during this drive. He is one of the most active members of the Alumni and has established quite a splendid reputation, both for himself and the chapter, in Montgomery.

It is indeed regretful that the chapter has not been represented on any of the athletic teams this year but there is some good material for next year in the new men, and it is expected that the teams next year will have their full quota of Sigma Phi Epsilons.

The mid-year dances have just come to a close, and with them the first term of the year. The chapter was honored by a visit from several of the Alumni, and also R. O. Harris of Georgia Alpha. Several short talks were made by the Alumni and Harris also told of the activities of the Georgia Alpha.

While no scholarship records have been looked up among the different fraternities, it has been generally noted that Sigma Phi Epsilon stands a good chance of coming out among the first on the list. The chapter is trying hard to win the scholarship cup this year and if the grades continue coming in as they have this past term, it seems a sure thing. It will be remembered that the chapter came out in second place last year, and the grades this year are far above those of last year.

Considering everything, this is one of the best years in the history of the chapter and an invitation is extended to all members of sister chapters to make this their headquarters should they be passing through Auburn.

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**NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA****DARTMOUTH COLLEGE**

**Harold H. Tayntor**

Our delegate to the Conclave, W. G. Haas, brings back word that the chapter letters to the quarterly suffered the criticism of a lack of interesting news, and certain it is that most of the letters in the past have been trite, formal affairs.

The question naturally arises: What is interesting news? Whenever one of the brothers has had an opportunity to visit another chapter he has been bombarded on his return with questions. And the questions he is asked signify those features of other chapters about which we most want to hear. With this in mind, therefore, we submit the following data concerning New Hampshire Alpha in the hope that it will aid the brothers of other chapters to gain some idea of what sort of an outfit we have up here.

Hanover is situated on the Connecticut river just over the border from Vermont, and so far up the state that its winter season constitutes its chief attractions. Skiing, skating, and toboganning keep the brothers out of doors much of the time, and culminate in February in Dartmouth's Winter Carnival, at which party, let us modestly state, New Hampshire Alpha contributes a pleasurable share. In fact the brothers rarely slip up on an opportunity for a house-party, perhaps owing to Hanover's ordinary deficiency. And in other functions such as informal get-togethers and talks by professors and social committee keeps things humming.

New Hampshire Alpha competes with twenty-four other fraternities in an undergraduate body of a little over two thousand. It does not rank first on the campus—YET; but every year finds it near the front and a little further ahead than before in numbers of initiates and in the extra-curriculum activities of its members, and in an increasingly sound financial position.

A new rushing system has been introduced at Dartmouth—an intensive second semester system of three days with two Sunday entertainments in the fall. On December 4th the



**New Hampshire Alpha Chapter House**

chapter entertained eighty-six freshmen from whom we hope to pledge a good delegation in February.

There are at present thirty-three active brothers in the chapter and 145 Alumni. The chapter was represented in Varsity football last fall by C. E. Suttemeier playing center, and either in wrestling, golf, dramatics, musical clubs, Outing Club, or Dartmouth publications, nearly every brother in the chapter is represented.

The chapter owns its own house which is rated among the best on the campus. The accompanying cut will give a better conception of it than can any description. Sixteen brothers room at the house—this being the maximum set by the college

—although it is large and comfortable enough to accommodate many more. The college allows no meals to be served in fraternity houses, it being the desire of the administration to keep the undergraduate body as unified as possible.

These are but a few of the facts regarding New Hampshire Alpha. It is believed that the chapters have too little knowledge of each other and that an exchange of information such as is above set out will be beneficial. New Hampshire Alpha has all too little information of the other chapters of the fraternity.

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#### DIST. OF COLUMBIA ALPHA    GEORGE WASHINGTON UNI.

Charles W. Shoffstall

The southern district conference, District 3, met at the chapter house of D. of C. Alpha on November 25 and 26, and methods of managing chapter houses and unifying chapter procedure were discussed and helpful suggestions brought forth. This meeting, coming so near the Des Moines Conclave, gave the chapters of this district a chance to exchange views on problems more national in their scope. A dance was given in honor of the delegates at the Franklin Square Hotel.

No small honor was conferred on C. Melville Walker when Pyramid announced his election as one of the two seniors selected from the student body of G. W. U. Pyramid Honor Society, dating back to 1822, is one of the oldest honor societies in America and membership is bestowed only after signal meritorious achievement for the University on the part of the recipient. Brother Walker as Editor of the University Hatchet, the school weekly, has earned the honor by his excellent work.

Brother James C. Hatcher was elected president of the G. W. Club, which is composed of all lettermen at George Washington. Hatcher won his letter in basketball and is at present manager of the wrestling team.

This year will present the first real test of the pledge rules placed in effect by chapter action. There are no interfraternity rushing or pledge rules at G. W. U. The present chapter rules, in short, are, that no pledge may be initiated in the same semester pledged, nor until three months have passed from date of pledging. During this pledge period it is necessary to show

scholarship and compatibility with the fraternity group or the pledge is withdrawn. It is thought that this procedure will raise the scholastic standard of the chapter and eliminate the chance of "dead-wood" creeping in.

The interfraternity scholarship committee has not yet reported its findings. As there is a loving cup involved the chapter is anxious to have the thing settled. The chapter cup for scholastic standing has had the name of Brother John W. Townsend added for making the highest rating of its members for last year. Brother Townsend was an All-A man last year in Law.

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**KANSAS ALPHA****BAKER UNIVERSITY****Warren Littrell**

Kansas Alpha was represented at the Conclave by Brother Warren Rice, and he has told much in regard to the good times and good things that were accomplished. First of all Kansas Alpha is in receipt of a letter from C. B. Scott in regards to the new system used in regards to the Journal. If any mistakes are made in this issue, then the next time more will be known in regard to the fundamentals of the "News Article."

Football at Baker was very good, and especially was Kansas Alpha well accounted for in the past season. Baker played the hardest teams in the Conference (there being sixteen teams in the Conference). Baker was not beaten during the entire year by more than one touchdown and this occurred only once.

Kansas Alpha was represented on the team by Captain Warren Rice, Roy Slagel, Paul Thorniley, who made third All-State end, Charles Hill, who made third All-State fullback, and Warren Littrell, All-State guard. Littrell was the only man in school who placed on first team. Baker University got four men on the three teams, and three of these four men were Sig Eps, the other man being a non-fraternity man.

At the end of the season, twelve letters were given out by the university; Kansas Alpha procured five of these twelve. So Kansas Alpha is proud of her 1921 football season. It is still better to know that none of these men graduate, only two being juniors, the other three sophomores.

A word may be said with regard to Kansas Alpha's present financial status. The present plan for paying the balance due on the house is in monthly installments. At this present rate, the house will be paid for in four years.

The proposed plan is to borrow the sum needed and pay the balance due to the Building and Loan Association, giving them first mortgage on the property, with the privilege of reducing the principal by whatever amount we wish each year. This will allow a definite room-rent to be charged, regardless of the number of men rooming in the house.

The question now is, What will become of the house-rent money? This can be used very nicely to buy furniture and repairs for the house. This is all under control of the Committee of Alumni. This will give the active chapter a benefit from the rent money and the house will be kept in better repair.

Baker observed Homecoming Day on November 5. Altogether the event was a success, there being about 200 old grade back.

E. E. Johnson, '21, Lee Cross, '21, and Malcolm Clouky, '21, members of the 1920 football team, were back; also Arthur Z. Nevins, '20, and Harold Nye, '21, were back.

Saturday morning a "Pep" meeting was held in chapel. Several Alumni gave short speeches and advice to freshmen. M. M. Conky, English Instructor and Coach of Chanute High School, and Arthur Z. Nevins, Coach at Dodge City High, gave short speeches.

In the afternoon the big event of the day took place—Baker against St. Mary's. St. Mary's scored a place kick early in the game, but Baker came back and gave them a severe beating with a score of 33-3.

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#### CALIFORNIA ALPHA

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

##### E. F. Nimmo

The University of California, despite the prevailing business depression, successfully completed her drive to secure funds for a memorial stadium and the work is now under way. According to the plans for the structure this will be one of the largest stadiums in the country, seating, when completed,

over 69,000 people. The structure which will be erected at a cost of a million dollars, will not be completed for some time but work has begun and it should be ready for use, at least partially, by the time of the next football season.

In addition to the stadium the University of California has under way another addition to its equipment that will mean much to the student body. This is a students' union building which will be erected at a cost of \$759,000, according to the plans and specifications. This building will not only greatly add to the appearance of the campus with its beautiful architecture but it will serve to bring the student body together in various kinds of gatherings as well as provide facilities for different school activities that are now hindered by lack of accommodations.

California enjoys a mid-year season of rushing which is now under way. California Alpha has been very active in rushing and, at the time this article is written, has pledged four men who hold no little promise. Each of them is now engaged in some campus activity of importance and each gives promise of making a splendid record in the University.

The chapter finances are in good shape, H. E. Rossiter having had the guiding rein in this department. R. W. Cowlin, the president, has instilled much enthusiasm in the chapter and made of it a smooth working organization. Brother Cowlin was the representative of the chapter at the Conclave.

The news of the admission of Washington Beta was most enthusiastically received by California Alpha. It brings a closer contact to the chapter that will be much appreciated.

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**NEBRASKA ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA****W. M. Putman**

As Greek-letter organizations sweep majestically forward in strides, individual chapters must take heed, take their cues and conform to the new standards.

Nebraska Alpha in retrospection, recalls its struggles for a foothold. In financial problems, as well as in pan-hellenic matters, 'They came, they saw, they conquered.' But those first days were dark.

The war came on, and with scarcely a handful of members, a chapter house was maintained and the fraternity still existed. The active chapter grew and flourished. But one ever present obstacle loomed up like an insurmountable wall: How to manage financial affairs?

Before school began last fall, two alumni, in talking over the situation, decided an "about face" was in order and proceeded to outline the following plan.

All active members and pledges not living in the city must stay at the house. All of those men staying at the house must eat at the house unless working for their board. All bills are due on the tenth of each month, and discounted 10 per cent if paid at that time. If all bills are not paid by the end of the month, such delinquent is to leave the house and become inactive, until such accounts are paid. Necessary exceptions are to be made at the discretion of a committee appointed to consider special cases. These rules were adopted by the active chapter.

Result? A sounder and stronger bond of fraternity spirit, all bills paid on time by the chapter, all bills paid by individuals, a higher general morale, and no hard feelings.

Brighter still, unfold the plans for a home which will rival the best.

During these days of financial chaos, the task is by no means short and easy. However the Nebraska Alumni formed a State Alumni Association with per capita dues, the entire proceeds to be used as a nest egg for a building association. At present the details of such an association are being evolved. It is probable that the Becker system will be adopted, for it has met with high favor at Nebraska.

So in another year or two, Nebraska Alpha will have a house imposing in design, convenient in detail and with color schemes, decorations and furnishings which will stand the strictest inspection.

Back in 1916 the scholarship cup adorned a mantel at Nebraska Alpha chapter house. The war again? Yes, the cup was lost. Small wonder with only three men in the house. In 1919, in eagerness to refill the depleted ranks, there was wholesale pledging and consequently wholesale dropping. But since there has been a "come back." From twenty-sixth place to thirteenth, and still on the upgrade. In short, the determination of Nebraska Alpha is to bring back that cup.

Not so long ago Greek-letter folk were in some disfavor at Nebraska University. Elaborate parties were somewhat in vogue. Booze parties began to spring into existence. Some fraternities began to play politics. Perhaps it was just one of the inevitable reactions following a great war. At any rate there is at present an agreeable harmony existing between the University faculty and the Greek-letter folk.

Along with the return to normalcy has come more inexpensive social functions. An upheaval was brought about by students—chiefly fraternities and sororities, revolting against the exorbitant charges for dance halls and music. Their boycott was effective. A tendency, too, is noticeable to get away from lavish decorations—if expensive.

"If expensive" is used, because the Sig Phi Eps put on a spring party in 1921, which made one almost imagine he were in Fairyland. Everything was of the best and the cost was less than one hundred and fifty dollars. Gray matter was employed rather than gold.

Another inexpensive way of getting results was the inauguration by Nebraska Alpha of a Mothers' Day reception, to and for the Sig Phi Ep mothers. Home talent is always employed for a program. Readings, songs and music are chief features aside of a big dinner. The cost is nominal and it pays, cementing the ties of friendship in a way that nothing else can. The mothers remember it too. A large, splendid picture of the "Madonna and Child" adorns a wall in the front room of Nebraska Alpha's chapter house, the gift of the mothers at the last Mothers' Day.

This year Nebraska Alpha has twice as many men in athletics as any other fraternity in school. The representation includes football, basketball, baseball, tennis, golf and track. The only three-letter men that Nebraska has had for years have been Sig Phi Eps: R. C. Russell, 1919 and 1920, and Frank Carman, 1920 and 1921. The prospects are for sixteen letters this year.

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## WASHINGTON ALPHA — WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

William A. McGinnis

Featured by athletics, Sigma Phi Epsilon is this year, indeed, outstanding on Washington State College campus. With four Varsity football men on the first team and four pledges on the freshman squad, the Sig Eps were effectively represented.

Of the four Varsity men, Arthur L. Hamilton, Ernest W. Durrwachter, Milo McIver and Eldon I. Jenne, all received letters.

Fred V. Hamilton, four-letter man in football, who coached the freshmen this year, reports a very successful season.

The S. P. E.s boast three prominent wrestlers who have already shown exceptional form. Lorraine C. Boggs, captain of the team and a two-letter man, at 145 pounds; Vernon V. Ewing, letter man, at 135 pounds, and Stephen B. White, a phenom comer at 175 pounds.

A Sig Ep scored again when the name of Milo McIver was honored by being the first to be placed on a medal given by the Hoxey-Lambert Company, of Spokane, and designed to distinguish that man, who had, during the football season, inspired most confidence in his team-mates by his own personality.

Lorraine C. Boggs, house president, represented Washington Alpha chapter at the installation of Washington Beta at the University of Washington, January 15.

In place of the former chapter letters, Washington Alpha has adopted a tri-yearly leaflet which will contain the activities of the chapter and its members in snappy feature stories duly emphasized by cuts. The idea is to eliminate the "dryness" of the former hex-weekly by peppy hooks and straight shoulder punches—designed to draw out any "holed up" Alumnus.

Myron T. Brower and L. C. Boggs stand behind the S. P. E.'s in the school of dramatics, both having appeared in college productions.

Harry J. Jenson, President of the Sophomore class and Joseph W. Gray, Treasurer of the same; Paul T. Van Nice, Chairman of the College Social Committee, and Walter F. Horan—"Cougar Guard," a football auxiliary society—are all stepping out with the true Sig Ep spirit.

Lowell C. Chamberlain, editorial editor for the "Evergreen," a campus twice-a-week, and Walter Horan and Austin A. Snell, staff writers for the same, represent the literary element of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

#### MASS. AGRI. COLLEGE

**Howard Baker**

For the first time in our history Massachusetts Alpha participated in a second term rushing season. Previous to this year there has always been a first term rushing season at M. A. C. which has lasted for the three opening weeks of the

college year. But this year, due to the objection of the faculty and because of a serious loss of college spirit caused by the first term plan, the new system was tried out.

As the rules now stand, fraternity members may have only casual intercourse on campus with the freshmen, and no social meetings off campus until the opening of the second term. At the next to the last weekly assembly of the first term each fraternity passes out through the interfraternity conference invitations to the freshmen for dates during rushing week, which is the first week of the second term. No fraternity can have more than two dates with any one freshman. The freshmen return these cards either filled out or blank before the next assembly. This gives each fraternity ample opportunity to plan its parties for the rushing week. Now that the season is over everyone is apparently satisfied with the way in which it has worked out, and it will without a doubt be continued next year with only a few minor changes.

Now to tell our part in this rushing season. As the time came for the season to begin we were all wondering how it would work out with us. In previous rushing seasons it has always been the policy of the fraternity to have one or two men do the larger share of the real rushing and have the rest of the brothers merely be around to wait on the freshmen and look good. But this year the slogan was, "Each brother be responsible for at least one freshman worthy of Sigma Phi Epsilon." In this way every brother took an active part in the rushing and the result was worth the work for we pledged sixteen of the best freshmen in the college. In fact we came out better than any other fraternity on the campus.

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**NEW YORK BETA****CORNELL UNIVERSITY****Chilson H. Leonard**

Livingston Farrand, for more than two years chairman of the central committee of the American Red Cross and formerly president of the University of Colorado, was inaugurated as the fourth president of Cornell University on October 20, at a ceremony in which more than fifty college and university presidents and more than one hundred other representatives from institutions in the world of education and science assisted.

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Doctor Farrand succeeds Albert W. Smith who has been acting president since the resignation in June, 1920, of Jacob Gould Schurman, who had held the presidential chair for twenty-eight years.

The installation of Dr. Farrand marks the beginning of a period of progress in all phases of university life at Cornell. The students have become more serious in their attitude toward academic work and social standards and have undertaken their extra-curricular activities with more definite purposes in mind.

The university has also entered upon a period of physical expansion. Coincident with the inauguration of President Farrand, George F. Baker, a well known New York banker, financier and philanthropist, laid the cornerstone of his latest gift to Cornell, a two million dollar chemical laboratory. This new building, which will be completed next year, will be one of the best and most completely equipped buildings of its kind in the world.

A new unit has been proposed for the residential halls for men and \$10,000 has been appropriated for starting construction this spring. The remainder of the expense will be borne by annual contributions from the Alumni fund. At present there are five residential halls for men. These are the beginnings of an immense development of a section of the university campus which, when completed, will be one of the most beautiful and up to date system of college residential halls in the country. The architecture is in old collegiate Gothic. The tract is situated on the slope of the hill which gives it a commanding view for many miles down the valley as well as over the lake.

The State College of Agriculture at Cornell University has started upon a \$3,000,000 building program which will incorporate the present buildings in a large quadrangle on the upper campus. There is now being built a new \$400,000 Dairy Building and Manufacturing Plant which will be completed in June, 1922.

The Athletic Association has laid out several new baseball diamonds on the south side of the campus and is now erecting new steel grandstands.

The Cornell football team which attracted such national attention this fall was materially strengthened by the con-

sistent playing of Brother Reno V. Jones at right guard. Jones played through the entire season, a total of twenty-nine out of thirty-two quarters.

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**MICHIGAN ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN****John C. McGinnis**

With the new year Michigan Alpha started upon a new financial system. This was not brought about by the stress of circumstances, for thanks to the efforts of some of the Alumni when they were members, Michigan Alpha was placed upon a sound financial basis and a definite financial policy outlined which has so far been successfully followed. However, the chapter has always been open to suggestions and the success of some of the sister chapters created a desire for self-analysis which resulted in an installation of the present system.

Hitherto, the providing of the active chapter with a chapter house was almost entirely in the hands of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Building Association, a corporation composed of active members and Alumni, formed for that purpose. Every member was issued stock upon his becoming obligated to pay for it in the near future. This system resulted in the "Sig Eps" of Michigan Alpha having a home of their own and assured them in the near future of having it free from all encumbrances. But the chapter was not satisfied and never will be until Sigma Phi Epsilon is installed in a home that can be favorably compared to any in the United States. With this end in view they were ready to take any means that would accomplish it and the system installed by Mr. Becker at Indiana Alpha, Purdue University, seemed to offer the opportunity that was desired. Under the new plan a budget system was worked out by Mr. Becker in co-operation with the Alumni and officers of the active chapter and a comptrollership created for the purpose of giving the active supervision that was necessary. The rates are fixed and the expenditures planned out beforehand with a view to having a new and better home within the next five years. To date the system has been working very smoothly and there appears to be no reason why it should not do all that is expected of it.

Saturday night at the Hotel Fort Shelby in Detroit the Alumni Chapter located in Detroit gave a banquet in honor of

Franklin C. Cappon. There was a goodly number of the Detroit Alumni present and they royally entertained Michigan's All-Conference halfback and his brother "Sig Eps" that came with him. The interest that the Detroit Alumni takes in the chapter at Ann Arbor is highly commendable.

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**IOWA ALPHA****IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE****William N. Atkinson**

Iowa Alpha is taking her customary active part in college activities, and is preparing to initiate a bunch of men who will uphold Sigma Phi Epsilon tradition in every way.

Iowa Alpha is showing up especially well in debate this year, although it has formerly been one of her weakest points. Walden Smith, Sidney Bloomquist, and William N. Atkinson, and five pledges represent the chapter in this line.

The Glee Club and Vesper Choir claim four brothers—Leland H. Prewitt, Russell C. Prewitt, Charles H. Yocum and Robert S. Griggs, and four pledges. The band and orchestra have a large Sigma Phi Epsilon membership, with Robert S. Griggs, Walden T. Smith and Charles E. Carpenter, and five pledges. Wilbur De Witt, an alumnus, also assists in the band.

Charles H. Yocum is holding down his position on the basketball team, while a number of pledges are working hard for positions. Walden T. Smith, track captain, reports that training for track will begin soon, and the chapter expects to be well represented, with four of last year's letter men, Walden T. Smith, Sidney Bloomquist, Leland H. Prewitt and Russell C. Prewitt ready for business, and a number of former high school stars as pledges.

Charles H. Yocum has consistently represented Sigma Phi Epsilon in college activities since he first entered school. He entered during the S. A. T. C. period, when athletics were practically closed down, and therefore had little opportunity to show his ability during the freshman year. He has played in every game of football during his sophomore year and since, and when he played his last game last fall, had twenty-one games to his credit. He has won his letter every year in basketball, and his absence next year is sure to be keenly felt. Besides his athletic activity he has made an enviable scholastic

record. This year he added another star to his crown by exercising his vocal talent and making a place in the Glee Club. He is president of the chapter, and was the chapter's delegate at the Eleventh Conclave.

The Chapter expects to initiate about a dozen men this spring, all of whom will be valuable additions to Sigma Phi Epsilon. The faculty has taken part of the joy out of initiation by forbidding exhibitions of pledges "under orders" on the campus. This joy-killing measure is not expected, however, to interfere seriously with the pledges' realization of their status before initiation. Another recent faculty ruling of interest provides that a man breaking a pledge in one fraternity shall not be initiated into another fraternity within a year.

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**TENNESSEE ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE****L. S. Hedgecock**

Tennessee Alpha is having a very prosperous year. In every respect the chapter is steadily moving forward. The number of men entering in the activities of the University is greater than ever before. The Alumni are beginning to show a great interest in the active chapter and they are planning to meet with the active men in the near future.

At the annual banquet tendered the football team on December 22, Roy B. Streigel was chosen captain. The selection will meet with the approval of all the followers of the Vols. The stalwart guard will be playing his fourth and last year on the team. He is one of the fastest guards in the entire south and has an abundant store of driving power. With the duties of captain on his shoulders Streigel is sure to play the best game of his career. Following his election the new captain made an impromptu speech in which he pledged his best efforts for a winning team.

Leland S. Hedgecock was assistant manager of football this year and will receive his appointment as manager for 1922 within the near future.

C. C. Cloyd will be manager of the "Volunteer" next year. The Volunteer is the University Annual and this position is one of the best that can be won.

Fred Wade is president of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. He was the delegate from the chapter here to the Conclave at Kansas City.

The scholarship standing of the chapter will be considerably lower. Plans are already under way to remedy this. Pledges will be required to remain in the house and study. They will have to have permission from the Committee on Freshmen to be allowed to leave.

On February 7, the Alumni will meet with the active chapter. Important things to be discussed will be the buying of a house, the adoption of the Becker system, and the formation of an Alumni Association.

Tennessee Alpha won the cup for the best "stunt" in the U. T. Carnival. The Carnival is an annual affair in which every fraternity presents a short stunt. The title of the winning stunt was "Oriental Charms." It featured a snake charmer and a dozen "real" snakes. The result was sufficiently terrifying to win the beautiful sixteen-inch cup.

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#### MISSOURI ALPHA

#### UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

**Lynn E. Hummel**

Now that the second semester has started everyone has begun to tackle his studies with renewed spirits. The boys seem quite pleased with their courses and are doing their best to keep the fraternity standing in grades among the highest. We have started study hall again this semester for our new pledges and for the men who were low in grades last semester. Our house is full, our table more than full, and this semester promises to be one of the most prosperous Missouri Alpha has ever had.

Our mock initiation will be held in about a week. It is interesting to note the candidates as they await this event. Our formal initiation will follow soon after this initiation and we will be able to introduce to the fraternity some of the best fraternity material in this part of the country.

We are glad to welcome back some of the old men who were not here last semester. We feel that we have one of the best fraternities in Missouri. Sig Eps are to be found engaged in almost every line of student activities.

Jas. T. "Ted" Hague has been initiated into the Missouri Razzers.

Pledge Yunker is pledged Alpha Kappa Kappa, and Pledge Van Hoose is pledged Phi Beta Pi Medical Fraternity.

Pledge Shumate and Brothers M. W. Smith and P. C. Mathews are members of the Athenean debating club.

Brother R. G. Scott made his "M" and sweater on the varsity football squad, and Pledges Van Hoose and Smith made the freshman football squad.

Brother R. W. Sinz is Missouri's leading pole vaulter and apparatus man. Pledge Donahue is the leading pole vaulter of the freshmen.

We feel proud in saying that our fraternity has more musical talent than any other fraternity at Columbia. Brothers R. W. Sinz, C. W. Farnham, V. H. Lyon and L. E. Hummel are all wizards on the piano. We are well represented in the Glee Club by having Brothers Farnham and Hummel, and Pledge Alcorn, three of the prominent members. Brother Lyon is pianist for the Mandolin club, taking Brother Sinz's place, who has to be away at the Missouri-Kansas track meet at the time of the Glee and Mandolin club trips. We have pledged Missouri's leading trombone player, Arch Jones. Arch is absolutely one of the best, if not the best, trombone player that has ever attended Missouri University.

Pledge John Smith is leader of the Missouri band and Pledge Joe Miligan is a member.

We are saddened by the death of Lloyd Calvin Ruggles on January 23, 1922. Lloyd became a brother in Sigma Phi Epsilon on April 10, 1914. Since that date he has brought honors to himself and Sigma Phi Epsilon. He was a member of the Medical Society and was in the army at the time of his death. By his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a true friend and brother.

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#### **WISCONSIN ALPHA**

#### **LAWRENCE COLLEGE**

##### **Ralph Culnan**

Wisconsin Alpha of Lawrence College is well represented this year in the various college activities: athletics, debate, journalism, and social affairs. Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon have been honorably upholding the name of the fraternity on

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the campus. The alumni have been faithful in their interest and support.

One of the most delightful and successful formal dancing parties ever given on the campus started out the new year for the fraternity. The decorations carried out the idea of the four seasons of the year: spring, summer, autumn and winter. Favors were in the form of silver mesh bags with the fraternity crest on the carved cover. Alumni members who came back to attend the dance were: Carl Olsson, '21; James Deming, ex-'23; Stanton Wettergren, '21; Chester Roberts, '12; William Wright, ex-'24; Eugene Wright, ex-'21; and Kevill Larson, '20.

Four Sigma Phi Epsilons received gold footballs in recognition of their stellar work on the Lawrence 1921 championship football team. They were: Clement Ketchum, guard; Walter Hunting, guard; Earl Hunting, guard; and Thor Bruce, athletic manager. Ketchum and E. Hunting will both graduate this year.

Journalism claims the services of several members of the chapter. Herbert Mundhenke and Ralph Culnan have recently been initiated into Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity. Brother Mundhenke is editor of the "Lawrentian," the college weekly. Harry Clark is business manager. Other members on the staff are Lawrence Pusey, Clayton McCalen, and Ralph Culnan.

Clinton McCready will again manage the Lawrence Men's Glee Club on their annual spring tour.

Out of the eight men picked for the college debate teams in the final try-outs, four were Sigmas: Earl Hunting, Alfred Root, Thor Bruce and Edmund Tink.

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#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA

#### PENN. STATE COLLEGE

##### William C. Pierson

Pennsylvania Eta started the college year of 1921-22 under the unusual circumstances of this time. Most of her members have been able to come back but still there are several faces among the missing besides the seniors who graduated. With-standing all these difficulties the chapter has made some lengthy strides. Up to date there has been pledged eight men and the rushing season is by no means over. On the campus, too,

Sigma Phi Epsilon is keeping her reputation; in fact, she is claiming more prestige than heretofore. Even though a large part of the members' time is taken up by college activities, they still find time to uphold the fraternity scholarship.

Schuyler C. Enck, a sophomore, who was captain of the freshman cross-country team last year and a member of the freshman mile relay team has been elected captain of the Varsity cross-country team of 1922. This reward came to Enck through his brilliant running this past season on the Varsity. He is at present occupied with the indoor track season which keeps him in fine shape until spring arrives. Incidentally, he is also secretary of the class of 1924, after being treasurer of the same class last year. Enck is also a member of the "Druids," a sophomore campus society.

Another member of the sophomore class who upset the "dope" in the basketball team at State College this season is D. Kenneth Loeffler. Last year he made a substitute position on the freshman five but when Coach Hermann gathered his proteges together he found this fast young boy among them. Since the first game on State's schedule Loeffler has been playing guard on the Varsity team. Loeffler is only nineteen years of age, and received his training in basketball at Beaver Falls, Pa., where they also turn out good baseball men. Loeffler is going to make someone step for the shortstop position when the Varsity candidates are called out. He is a member of the "Friars," another sophomore campus society.

Several weeks ago out of four class managers there were three Sig Eps elected. Harry G. Hoehler was elected football manager, Arthur Wilhelm cross-country manager and William Hess lacrosse manager. One of the consistent workers of the house is Charles Hosterman who has just completed his last year at playing Varsity soccer. He was again awarded the coveted "S" in this game. He has also been elected recently to the honorary engineering fraternity, Tau Beta Pi.

One of the latest advances made by Penna. Eta was the purchase of two corner building lots where the fraternity expects to erect an up to date house in the future. Although when last year's scholarship averages came out Sigma Phi Epsilon was only fifth on the interfraternity list, this week is devoted by all the men to raise this average just five places and keep it there. It is mid-year examination week.

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A. E. Heimbach is again interested in work on the stage and as a reward for his work in several plays given by the Penn States Players this season, he has been made a member of the Penn State Players' Club. Thomas McCollom is also a member of this club.

James Boyer, '21, and William Ishler, '21, dropped in on the chapter for a few days. Their visit was very much appreciated.

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#### **OHIO EPSILON**

#### **OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY**

##### **L. D. Shuter**

The close of the first semester finds Ohio Epsilon well established in athletics and student activities.

Olin B. Smith, of Lima, Ohio, was the individual star of Ohio Wesleyan's football team this year. Smith plays at tackle, is six feet three inches tall, and weighs two hundred and fifteen pounds. The end of the season found him on practically every All-Ohio team. He was unanimously elected captain for next year. Smith is also the holder of Varsity letters in track and baseball.

Ramon Jordon held down a regular position at guard on this year's eleven and was given honorable mention by many critics. Jordon is six feet six, and weighs two hundred and ten pounds. Jordon also holds a letter in Varsity track.

Among our representatives in student activities, Harold L. Davis is the most prominent. Davis is president of the senior class, senior representative in the Student Council and treasurer of the University Lecture Course Committee. He is also vice president of the Boosters' Club and a member of the "Toastmasters," an honorary senior organization.

F. Stewart Cupps is the sophomore representative on the Debate and Oratory Council, and one of Ohio Wesleyan's best forensic men. Brother Cupps is a member of Crescent and Scimiter, honorary sophomore fraternity.

Clair V. Underwood is leader of the Varsity Quartette, a member of "Jesters," an honorary senior society; he is also senior member of the "February 22nd Committee." Brother Underwood is our president for this year and our representative to Pan-Hellenic Council.

Special emphasis has been placed on scholarship this semester. The final reports will find us near the top.

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**COLORADO GAMMA****COLORADO AGRI. COLLEGE****H. M. Wilcox**

This year has been a most prosperous one for Colorado Gamma in more ways than one. In scholarship last year we were second highest among the fraternities on the campus, this year we are trying a new plan. It has always been customary to offer a prize for the freshman in the fraternity having the highest scholarship and also one for any man outside of the freshman class. This year we have formed an agreement whereby the class having the lowest average will give a "feed" for the rest of the fraternity.

Each week the grades of each man are compiled and those whose average is below passing are promptly notified. If a man has been down for two weeks in any subject he must remain during the week and commit himself to his studies. Since every one knows who is down the other members of the class are able to "ride" this fellow and make him study. So far competition has been keen and the closer we approach the end of the semester the keener the competition has become. We sincerely believe that this system will raise our scholarship standard and bring us to first place.

Our house orchestra has been an excellent organization this year and has been playing for all of the dances on the campus. They are now playing in various parts of the state, even having engagements as far away as Colorado Springs. We are very proud of them and wish that all of our brothers might hear them, for they are not only making a name for themselves, but also for the fraternity.

We have been lucky enough this year to have had four of our men on the stock judging team that judged at the International Stock Show at Chicago. This is a very good showing since the team is composed of the six best men in senior stock judging.

## MINNESOTA ALPHA

## UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

M. J. Babcock

Minnesota Alpha has again stepped to the front and captured their second interfraternity cup in two years. Last season they carried off the basketball cup, and in the early part of January, this year, they defeated the Sigma Chi's in the finals and came home with the bowling trophy. At the start of the competition, the team was not considered even as a possibility, but they practiced hard and consistently, with the result that they took their matches in straight games until the final match, in which, after losing the first game by twenty-three pins, they showed the true Sig Ep fighting spirit and took the next two by substantial margins. The team was composed of Brothers C. K. Bailer, Capt. J. N. Doyle, A. W. Gilkerson, V. B. Partridge, and Pledge A. A. Stronwall. Much credit is due the team as a whole, but special mention should go to Captain C. K. Bailer who delivered the desired "goods" at the proper time.

Along with our fraternity athletics, it is proper to add that J. N. Doyle has shown his true worth and worked himself out of the ineligible class and consequently into the Varsity basketball team as forward. His work at all times has been consistent as well as indispensable, and though the scores do not show many tallies in his favor, he is playing on a team, and not with four other players. It is exhilarating to see him play, for he is a natural athlete, and combines weight and speed with cool headwork, with the inevitable result that he has received many favorable comments from the local sport writers. R. O. Sullivan is out for substitute guard, so we are well represented in University athletics. M. F. Juhnke is out for track and has shown up well in the preliminary work in that branch of athletics. "Milt" is not only a track man, but also performs the dashes on a faithful cornet.

This year we are again in the running for the basketball cup, with a team stronger than that of last year. E. A. Zetterburg is in charge, while K. A. March, V. B. Partridge, L. C. Turner, and B. E. Stillwell, strengthened by two pledges, form the nucleus of the team that we are "placing our money on" for a repetition of last year's success.

In the matter of campus activities, Minnesota Alpha has kept up the standard of former years. L. C. Turner is presi-

dent of the newly organized South Dakota Club, R. Ewing is president of the Northrup Club, as well as being the founder of Grail, an honorary society on the campus.

Webster A. Johnson was recently elected president of the freshman class of the Dental School. Dwight Caswell is successfully displaying his talents as a sports reporter for the Minnesota Daily. Sloss busies himself more or less in the advertising department of the same publication.

It has often been said that an athletic fraternity is but a way of referring to a bunch of men who are measured only by their physical prowess, but Sigma Phi Epsilon can boast of a marked advance in its scholarship record for last year. We occupy eighth place as compared to thirteenth the year previous. They may seem unimportant, but when it is remembered that there are twenty-five general fraternities on the campus, eighth place is far better than the average, especially so inasmuch as the first ten on the list varied only a few points in their respective averages. All present indications point to an advance during this school year.

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**IOWA BETA CHAPTER****IOWA STATE COLLEGE****H. A. Riedesel**

"Parlor G" at the present is forgotten, but the aftermath of the constructive policy as outlined at the Conclave is still with Iowa Beta.

On the 29th of February, due to the efforts of our Alumni brother, Hugh Thompson, fifteen of our old Alumni were with us and legislation was started toward the installation of the Purdue system of chapter finances. In a meeting which occupied a large share of the day, the Alumni perfected the organization of the Iowa Beta Alumni Association to such an extent, that they would be able to assume charge of the finances of the chapter. The active chapter is completing arrangements toward this end, and is co-operating with Brother E. E. Axthelm of Glenwood, Iowa, the president of the Alumni Association.

The annual winter short course at Iowa State College is now in full swing, and many are the farmer folk we see these days. One thousand have registered for the different courses,

and more are coming in. The total registration will exceed all expectations, but the overflow is being nicely taken care of by fraternity houses and private homes. One of our old men, Reed Corliss, ex-'20, is taking advantage of this short course, seeking to increase the production of his herd of Holstein diary cattle at Waterloo, Nebraska. Brother Corliss is also connected with the Waterloo Creamery Company of Omaha, of which his father is president.

Iowa State may boast of a remarkable record in athletics this year, especially in wrestling. Of the three meets participated in so far, with Indiana, Nebraska and Oklahoma, we have won all three with shut-out scores, not having lost a single bout. Our two-mile relay team, holders of the world record made last spring in Des Moines, defeated the University of Chicago, January 26th, but lost to Penn State at Madison Square Garden, New York, by the narrow margin of six inches, four days later. They will stage a return meet, however, with Penn State in Boston within a few days.

George Drumm, who graduated from the Kansas State Agricultural College in 1921, is taking graduate work in Dairy at Iowa State this year, and furnishes his share of the house wit. Drumm is quite prominent in the dairy field, having won the \$400 scholarship offered last year by the American Jersey Cattle Club for highest honors in judging their breed. He has also made two world's records in cattle feeding and dairy production.

The "Stealum Blinds" and the "Blue Devils" at the chapter house, of which Iowa Beta boasts a good many, are at the present time averaging up their grades for the fall quarter. They, together with the plodders, average 84.2%. With the relative grades of last year, this should earn us about fifth place among the twenty-seven fraternities on the campus.

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**MONTANA ALPHA****UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA**

**George W. Howard**

The basketball team of Montana Alpha Chapter won second place in the interfraternity series. The winning team was that of the local chapter of Sigma Chi. The interfraternity games were exceptionally fast this year, and much good material was

discovered, which means a good Varsity team next year. No letter man is allowed to play in the interfraternity games.

Montana Alpha has three pledges on the freshman basketball squad. One of them, a forward, who was a star on the freshman football team last fall, promises to be one of the brightest stars in Montana basketball history.

Percy S. Spencer, captain of the Varsity baseball team, has returned to the campus and will be on hand to pitch Montana to victory during the next season. Spencer did not lose a game last year, was second in the last of batting averages, and played an almost errorless game at first base when not in the box.

Fred Daylis is instructing a class in economics at the State College at Bozeman. He will be back at the University in time to be eligible for baseball. Daylis fielded one thousand per cent in left field last season and led the team in batting averages and in number of home runs banged out. He was picked last fall for the third time on the All-Montana football team. His position was left end.

Charles S. Spiller is one of the three four-letter men now on the campus. He earned his four-striped sweater by getting his letter in baseball in 1918, '19, '20 and '21. He will not be eligible for conference games next spring but will be able to take part in all games played with teams in the state.

Only two men were lost to us during the last quarter. Both of them are, however, returning to the university later on. Harold Willis withdrew from school at the end of last quarter to engage in business at Bozeman with his father. William Haight left last week upon receipt of a telegram notifying him that his father was seriously ill. Upon arriving at home, Haight found that his father would be unable to manage his motion picture theatre for the next few months, so he sent us word that he would remain in Livingston for an indefinite period.

The brothers who are for the time being out of school, and many Alumni, are here, or on their way, to attend the annual installation ball, which is to be held February 3rd. Invitations were sent to all members of the fraternity in the state, besides those sent to all of our Alumni. A great time is expected.

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The scholarship standings of the various fraternities has not been compiled by the registrar's office force. Our record in the past has always been excellent, and we expect to hold our scholarship standing up to its usual place.

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**OREGON ALPHA****OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE****Homer L. Roberts**

"Sigma Phi Epsilon boys are just the same wherever I meet them," said Mrs. William L. Phillips, wife of Grand Secretary Phillips, on her visit to the Oregon Alpha Chapter, January 20-22. "The chapters have treated us wonderfully," Mrs. Phillips continued, "and I certainly hope to come back again some day."

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips were guests of the chapter on their way to the University of California. They came down from the University of Washington at Seattle, following the installation of Washington Beta.

Seated near the fireplace, in the center of a circle of attentive pledges and members, "Dad" Phillips told of the work of the Des Moines convention, explained away points of doubt, and wound up with a story of the beginning of the fraternity. Dr. U. G. Dubach, the "house father" led the questioners, and brought out many points of interest to the members.

The quaint old "sacred heart" carried by Mr. Phillips as a pocket piece, aroused a lot of curiosity. He explained how near the fraternity came to being the "Sigma Phi" fraternity, showing how the "Epsilon" was later added to the point of the heart.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips were guests at the house formal Saturday night, and went to Albany by automobile the following day, just in time to catch the Shasta limited for California.

Loving cups for highest scholarship in Sigma Phi Epsilon and for the highest average of fraternities on the campus now adorn the mantle of Oregon Alpha Chapter. This chapter began the college year leading all men's organizations on the campus for the second consecutive year. This placed the chapter one step nearer to clinching the large trophy offered by the O. A. C. interfraternity council permanently.

The house average of Oregon Alpha for the year was 88.35, which was 3.97 above the student body average. Competition is unusually keen this term, but the house is out again with the avowed purpose of taking first place.

With a record of three years on the Varsity football squad, Theodore "Ted" Heyden has been awarded the Orange "O" blanket—a much-coveted football trophy. The winning of this blanket comes with the possession of three Varsity "O's". Heyden began on the Aggie squad as a center, and finished up with two years as guard. He got his start in football with the Pendleton (Ore.) high school football team, where he was a letter man. He has earned an enviable reputation among conference circles on the Pacific coast as a fighter of no small ability.

E. V. Abbott and F. M. Edwards are newly announced pledges to Alpha Zeta, national honorary fraternity in agriculture. Abbott is a senior in soils. He is a member of Scabbard and Blade, national honorary military fraternity, has been a Varsity debater for O. A. C. for two years, is a cadet captain in the R. O. T. C. and was forensic manager of his class during his sophomore year.

F. M. Edwards is the house manager this year. He is a junior in agriculture, majoring in animal husbandry. Edwards was circulation manager for the college paper, the Barometer, and has served on the staff of the Oregon Countryman, a magazine for farmers of the state.

A subscription price of \$1 a year has been voted by Oregon Alpha for its house paper of the same name. The publication, a three column, four page news sheet, filled with breezy reports of Alumni and chapter "doings" is furnished without charge to exchanges and undergraduates. The graduates are "coming through" with the dollar without complaint, and it has proved to be a great help in financing the publication.

The unusual reputation of having a "house mother" is boasted by Oregon Alpha Chapter. Mrs. Emma "Mother" Stow, lives at the chapter house, during the college year, and has become well-nigh indispensable to the organization. The men enjoy having someone to whom they can go for motherly advice, and to tell their troubles. Oregon Alpha is the only fraternity for men at O. A. C. that has a house mother.

Earl Wells, graduate of the University of Iowa, and a member of Iowa Gamma, is on the staff of the public speaking de-

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partment at the college. In addition to his regular work in the department, he is coach for freshman debate and assists in coaching the Varsity teams.

Lloyd Gregg, president of the house, attended the installation of Washington Beta at Seattle. Several members of Oregon Alpha are living at the new chapter at Seattle. They are Oliver M. Hazen, Victor Hesse and Edwin Scotton.

E. V. Abbott was a member of the victorious affirmative debate team that triumphed over the Reed negative team at Corvallis. This was one of the triangular debates between O. A. C., Reed College and the University of Oregon.

Just why Oregon Alpha chose a site within four blocks of the new Corvallis hospital for its new building is puzzling Alumni and visitors. Two new lots have been bought by the chapter, in what is considered the most desirable fraternity section of Corvallis. They are situated only four blocks from the college campus.

Visitors to the chapter house are invariably taken out to "see the farm." A small cottage now stands on the location. The members of the chapter are congratulating themselves on making the first definite step in the direction of obtaining a new home.

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#### KANSAS BETA

#### KANSAS STATE AGRI. COLLEGE

**Harold V. George**

With the adoption of the budget plan discussed at the recent Conclave, Kansas Beta is preparing to enter upon the most successful semester of its history. Only minor changes destined to better fit the budget to this particular chapter were made in the original plan.

After liberal discussion of the plan at three consecutive chapter meetings, all clauses being thoroughly thrashed out and accepted, or altered slightly, it was voted to give the budget a trial. Formal adoption will probably take place in March when a large number of alumni are expected to visit the chapter. Two of the Alumni were elected as directors: Clifford Knisely, Wichita, and Arthur Sperry, Manhattan, an instructor on the K. S. A. C. campus. The officer of controller is still open. This office will be filled by a member selected by the directors from those making bids, in writing, for the position.

Dr. J. R. McArthur, who organized the old local, Epsilon Epsilon Epsilon, is to make the chapter a visit in March. Dr. McArthur was at that time Associate Professor of English at K. S. A. C. and is now at the head of the English department at the California School of Technology, Pasadena, Cal. He was offered the position of Dean of Men at this institution at one time, and has been offered the presidency of New Mexico Agricultural College. Dr. McArthur will go to Des Moines, Iowa, from here, to attend the national convention of Pi Kappa Delta, national forensic fraternity, of which he is national president.

Basketball fans of K. S. A. C. all have their eyes on Howard G. Webber who is playing his first year of Varsity basketball. Webber is playing at center and is showing up remarkably well. For a man six feet in height and weighing 180 pounds he is an exceptionally fast guard and his dribbling is sensational in itself. Webber is playing at center but if he were at guard he would make a first class showing for an All-Missouri Valley berth this year.

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**OKLAHOMA ALPHA****OKLAHOMA R. & M. COLLEGE****Claud L. Walsh**

Building plans involving a \$16,000 home for the Oklahoma Alpha Chapter at Stillwater are now underway. The home is expected to be ready by next September. The plans are to be turned over to the Oklahoma Alumni who will install the Becker system.

A committee guided by Dick Hildebrand has been selected by the chapter to have complete authority as to the handling of the whole proposition. These men are to soon have everything in presentable shape for the Alumni to take charge.

The Alumni and the active chapter are contemplating an investment of about \$16,000. From the plans that the architects, Chas. Percival and Herbert Dillon, have just completed, the chapter finds that \$16,000 will build a satisfactory house large enough to accommodate thirty men and serve as a comfortable permanent home until more extensive plans may be needed.

**WISCONSIN BETA****UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN****Walter G. Traub**

A large share in the field of activities of Wisconsin Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon is being taken up with work to insure the success of the new system of house management modeled after that found at the Indiana Alpha Chapter at Purdue University. In athletics, there is great promise for a year more successful than last year. The enjoyable time which everyone had at the annual Christmas party and dance at the chapter house was an outstanding feature of the chapter pre-holiday social season.

The new system of house management was put in motion on January 1st of this year. Business affairs are operated in conjunction with the Alumni in Milwaukee. Thus the proverb, "In unity there is strength," is being put to the test, and there is every surety that it will be successful beyond all expectations.

Repeating the achievement of last year in basketball, the house team is again champion of their division in the inter-fraternity basketball league. The team expects to make a good account of itself in the finals. The game with the Beta Theta Pi team, one of the strongest in the league, was hard fought from start to finish as the score, 25-19, shows. The house team, composed of Ermin Smith (captain), Harry R. Hertz, Harold W. Holm, Clarence C. Holm, and Carl E. Schaefer, played at its best on that day and certainly deserved to win. Others who have been doing good work on the team are Karl W. Otto, Harold C. Weiss, and Wilson D. Flugstad.

The house bowling team was not able to repeat its victory of last year. The team was composed of Arthur Zimmerman (captain), Harold W. Holm, Harry R. Hertz, George L. Lange, and Karl W. Otto. They ended up in fifth place in the percentage column; they certainly deserve mention, for they not only won a great many of the games, but gave the other fraternities a hard battle for every victory obtained by them.

The Sigma Phi Epsilon team secured third place in the annual indoor track meet held at the University Gymnasium Annex on December 10. It was a close finish and the results were satisfactory for everyone did his best and performed in very good fashion.

Brother Harry R. Hertz is on the Frosh Basketball team. He will undoubtedly secure a position on the Varsity team next year for he performs in scintillating style in all games and scrimmages.

The annual Sigma Phi Epsilon Christmas party and dance was held at the chapter house on December 17. The party was informal and the Christmas gifts which were given out were received with much glee. The confetti aided to produce an atmosphere of fun and good will. Everybody said they had had an enjoyable evening. The chaperones were Mayor and Mrs. Milo Kittleson and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Law.

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#### NORTH CAROLINA DELTA      UNI. OF NORTH CAROLINA T. F. Parker

The North Carolina-Virginia football game brings many Alumni back to "The Hill." The annual Thanksgiving gridiron clash between the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia brought a large number of Alumni back to "The Hill." Among the visitors were Brother Tudor of Winston-Salem, Brother Phipps of Georgia Alpha and Brother Folks of Virginia Eta. North Carolina Gamma and Beta chapters were both well represented.

Interfraternity basketball has started here with a well arranged schedule and much enthusiasm and interest manifested among the different fraternities, each of which entertain high hopes of bringing home the proverbial bacon.

The Delta chapter will be represented by a very strong quint. The team will be selected from the following men: T. F. Parker, Julius Martin and Joseph Sever, forwards; Hearne Swink and Charles B. Aycock, centers; with Norman Martin, J. H. McElroy and C. H. Perry, guards.

The first game on our schedule is with the Zeta Psi, which comes on February 8th.

Many of our members are active in college activities.

Julius Martin is writing an article on Organization and Co-operation of Buncombe County. He represented the Buncombe County Club at an Alumni dinner held in Asheville at which he delivered an address, using Buncombe county as his subject.

C. H. Perry is going out for the inter-collegiate debate. Brother Perry is a very active member of the Dialectic Society.

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Talbot P. Parker, president of the Wayne County Club, made a short talk at the annual Alumni banquet held in Goldsboro. In this talk he expressed the needs of the university. Parker has begun winter training for Varsity track. He is a low hurdler, having won his letter in this phase of track last year.

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**WASHINGTON BETA****UNI. OF WASHINGTON**

Matthew F. Murphy

Most of the news of Washington Beta Chapter has already been written, and will be found in other articles of the Journal. Nothing is left but a statement of plans and policies, and a brief summary of the activities of her members on the campus.

The officers of Washington Beta are: Fritz A. Lautz, president; Beverly A. Travis, vice-president; Nathan P. Thompson, secretary; Earl K. Sweet, treasurer, and Matthew F. Murphy, historian. Under the leadership of Brother Lautz, the chapter is rapidly taking its proper place on the campus.

The Puget Sound Alumni Association is solidly back of the chapter, and has organized and fostered a Building Association whose purpose is to build a house for the active chapter. Within the house itself, a building fund has been started, by having each initiate sign a one hundred dollar note, payable at two dollars a month. With this plan, no heavy burden is imposed on the brothers, and at the same time, the fund will reach generous proportions in a short time.

A new plan of house control has been formulated since installation and is working successfully. A graduation chart, upon which each member indicates the approximate time of his graduation, is materially aiding the rushing committee in the selection of rushees.

The chapter announces with pleasure the purchase of a Steinway Baby Grand piano, which forms the first purchase of furniture for our own chapter house, whenever it shall come. Meanwhile, this piano, with the cabinet Brunswick phonograph presented by the Alumni Association, furnishes music for the social hours.

Initiation of the fall pledges has been delayed until March, in order to acquaint all the brothers with the parts they will have to play in the ceremonies, and thus increase the effectiveness.

The fourteen pledges of Washington Beta, have, through the efforts of the initiation committee, gone out for every form of campus activity, and are showing up creditably.

Among the members, J. Allen Mades is perhaps the most activity-ridden man in the house. He is circulation manager of the University of Washington Daily, business manager of the Columns, a monthly literary publication, and has been appointed on a special committee to interest the city council to vote favorably on a bill to erect a bridge which would further connect the Washington Stadium with the down-town car lines. Mades has placed four Sig Eps on the Daily and Columns business staffs.

Gordon Ross, assistant business manager of the Sun Dodger, the campus comic monthly, has aided two other of the brothers to make good on the business end of this publication.

Teunis J. Wyers and Matthew F. Murphy are first lieutenant and captain respectively, in the R. O. T. C. The latter was appointed on the Cadet Ball Committee. The Cadet Ball is one of Washington's three annual formal dances.

None of the brothers made the basketball squad, but several are out for track and show promise of making their letters, while baseball will find at least two Sig Eps who are going to fight for berths on the varsity.

Vernon E. MacDonell is out for varsity, and Cecil G. Remington for freshman crew.

Travis, Murphy and MacDonell were appointed on the Engineers Open House Committee.

Many of the brothers are in honorary organizations. Among these might be mentioned Earl K. Sweet, Alpha Kappa Psi and Beta Alpha Psi; Freeman C. Scharr, Kappa Kappa Psi; W. Willard Metz and Gordon Ross, Hammer and Coffin; Clarence W. Zaar, Phi Alpha Delta, and M. F. Murphy, Scabbard and Blade.

Judge A. W. Frater, initiated as an honorary member at installation, has been recommended for appointment to the United States District Court, by President Harding.

In conclusion, it may be truthfully stated, that Washington Beta of Sigma Phi Epsilon has already achieved a place on the campus far in advance of what would be expected from an organization so recently installed.

# With the Alumni

DENVER ALUMNI CHAPTER

DENVER, COLORADO

William B. Elliott

Oh, Ye Follies of Des Moines! Your shame is as bare as a sapling before a Saskatchewan blizzard! We know now why you vaunt yourself the Queen of Cornlands. We know why they travel from Milwaukee, from Frisco, and yes, from New Orleans (Francais) to conclave at your hostelleries. We know about room X where Donald English, our Cato of other days, dispensed with your strong spirits! Yes, we know how that corn has made you so prosperous! But, answer us this, do the shades of Volstead know? Keep it close! We may have a chance to travel that way ourselves some day.

We heard about you at a certain meeting, where all were Sig Eps—but they keep secrets, so you needn't be restless. Yes, Francis J. Knauss was there, but he told us about the new constitution. No, Glen Bingham wasn't at the meeting. He is too modest to talk about such things.

Billy Phillips is going to be in Denver within a few days. We may hear more about you, because we plan to get him in a very confidential mood. Our Ladies' Auxiliary is going to take Mrs. Billy Phillips aside for a whole afternoon—luncheon, monte carlo, and that sort of a thing. And, we expect to hear a good deal more about you!

But away with you Des Moines! The Mile High City isn't such a bad place for a Sig Ep to live and die in. Alumni have been loyal to their dinner meetings this winter, and each meeting seems to be a little better than the one before. A feature of these meetings has been the music. Aggregations from the active Alpha and Beta chapters have entertained us with much applause and appreciation. Colorado Gamma is planning to outdo them both at the smoker we are organizing for Billy Phillips' reception.

There is always something doing of a second Tuesday night in Denver for Sig Eps. Whether you are in town transiently or permanently, look us up that night at the Denver Athletic Club.

At other times you may get in touch with the Association by calling the following:

James H. Bush, President, 1014 First Nat'l Bank Building.

Chas. R. Patch, Vice-Pres., Guardian Trust.

W. B. Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer, 614 Continental Oil Building.

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**CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER****CHICAGO, ILLINOIS****Evans E. Plummer**

Chicago Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon is engaged at present in the problem of locating and interesting the many members of the fraternity who live in or near Chicago or sometimes are in Chicago for short visits. The recent New Year's Eve reception, banquet and dance has uncovered several new members and intensified the interest of the old. One feature which aids is the 12:15 luncheon, held every Friday in the Dutch Grill at the Hotel La Salle. On the third Tuesday of every month is held the regular meeting. The program consists of a dinner at 6:30 in the Dutch Grill of the Hotel La Salle, after which a short business meeting is held in a room of the hotel reserved for the purpose. Most business of minor importance is taken care of by an executive committee consisting of the officers and two members of the chapter, thus serving a great amount of time during the meeting. Following the meeting, entertainment features are provided. The features range all the way from piano playing, songs, talks and speeches, to bowling, billiard playing, poker and African golf.

At the November meeting, J. H. Crary, member of the Denver, Colorado Alumni chapter, dropped in to pay his respects. He had been stopping in the city on business for a few days and was attracted to the meeting by one of the Chicago Chapter's many forms of advertising and publicity. Brother Crary told the Chicago members of the work of the Denver alumni.

Brother Lambert B. Penhallow, Illinois Alpha, '18, and W. L. Jackson, Ohio Alpha and Gamma, '14 and '15, represented the Chicago Alumni Chapter at the first annual banquet and organization meeting of the Chicago Interfraternity Association, held on December 5th at the new Drake hotel. Brother Penhallow was a member of the program committee for the affair. The organization of the association was mainly

for the fostering of the interests of national college fraternities. Thirty-one of these are now members.

At the business meeting of the chapter, held January 17, at the Hotel La Salle, Lambert B. Penhallow tendered his resignation as secretary of the chapter, because he was planning to leave the employ of Sears, Roebuck & Company and become sales engineer for the Cement Gun Company of America, Allentown, Pa., his new duties causing him to be away from Chicago for nearly six months. The chapter did not act upon his resignation immediately but referred it to the executive committee with power to act. At a meeting of the executive committee held January 24, at the Hotel Brevoort, the executive committee accepted Brother Penhallow's resignation, and appointed Evans E. Plummer, Indiana Alpha, '21, to take his place. Brother Plummer's appointment left vacant his position as member of the executive committee, to which H. M. McCargar, Missouri Alpha, '17, was appointed. The officers of the chapter now are Albert P. Dippold, New York Beta, '14, president; Percy H. Caris, Iowa Alpha, '15, vice-president; Evans E. Plummer, Indiana Alpha, '21, secretary-treasurer; Ivar W. Turnquist, Illinois Alpha, '18, and H. M. McCargar, Missouri Alpha, '17, members of the executive committee.

L. K. Larson, Wisconsin Alpha, '20, while visiting the city attended the Friday luncheon at the Hotel La Salle, January 27. He was in Chicago on business acting in his capacity as financial secretary of Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, his Alma Mater.

General activities of the Chicago Alumni Chapter call for a stag party, theater party, and card party to be given during the first half of the year. The chapter finds the parties an excellent means of becoming better acquainted, keeping up alumni interest, and obtaining all sorts of favorable publicity throughout the city.

Peter Remsen, New York Beta, '12, is in Chicago for the next few months engaged in rebuilding the "Fountain of Time" in Washington Park. The fountain is the work of Lorado Taft, noted sculptor, and was originally a temporary piece of work. Brother Remsen's work on the fountain is unique in that he is recasting it in concrete, a special and new development in the construction of permanent art work. He is located at 6028 Ingelside Avenue, and is representing the John J. Earley Company, of Washington, D. C.

Eugene M. Wright, Wisconsin Alpha, '18, formerly with the Halsey Stuart Company, Chicago, investment bonds, and later traveling for H. M. Byllesby Company, Chicago, specialists in public utility bonds, is now located in the Chicago office of the latter company. He is living at 3251 Michigan Boulevard, Chicago.

L. K. Larson, Wisconsin Alpha, '20, is now financial secretary of Lawrence College, Lawrence, Wisconsin, his Alma Mater. Preceding his work for the college, he was engaged in merchandising research for a new type, all welded, pipeless warm air furnace. He is in Chicago for a month and will be located at 3251 Michigan Boulevard.

Arthur B. Olsen, Illinois Alpha, '18, formerly on classified, has been promoted and is selling display advertising for the Chicago Tribune, "The World's Greatest Newspaper," Chicago. He is also captain of the "white" team, one of three membership teams, of the Advertising Men's Post of the American Legion, and with his leadership ,the "red" and the "blue" teams have had to "sit up and take notice." The post is the second largest in the second district of the Legion in Illinois, having a membership of nearly five hundred. Brother Olsen is living at 5023 N. Bernard street.

Evans E. Plummer, Indiana Alpha, '21, is associate editor with "Class," a monthly publication read by class, trade and technical advertising men, 537 So. Dearborn street, Chicago. He is engaged principally in merchandising and market data research. His home is at 1018 N. State street, Apartment H-3.

E. K. Brown, Rhode Island Alpha, '14, is now representing Sherwin-Williams Company, Cleveland, out of their Chicago office. His line includes dyes, chemicals and dry colors. He was discovered to be in Chicago through the medium of the publicity given the recent New Year's Eve banquet and dance in honor of the delegates and grand officers returning from the Conclave by way of Chicago. Brother Brown is residing at 6958 South Park avenue.

O. R. Hensler, Indiana Alpha, '21, is city salesman for the American Fruit Growers, Incorporated, Chicago, distributors of fresh fruit and vegetables. Brother Hensler is a graduate of the School of Agriculture, Purdue University, and is living in a "bachelor" apartment, together with George A. Mast, Indiana Alpha, '20, at 6444 Maryland avenue, Chicago.

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Lambert B. Penhallow, Illinois Alpha, '18, formerly assistant to the superintendent of construction, Sears, Roebuck & Company, Chicago, has resigned his position to become sales engineer for the Cement Gun Company, Allentown, Pa. He will go to Allentown for about six months, after which he will return to Chicago, representing the Cement Gun Company out of their Chicago office. He has resigned as secretary-treasurer of the Chicago Alumni Chapter and will be succeeded by E. E. Plummer who will fill out the term of office.

H. M. McCargar, Missouri Alpha, '17, initiated Iowa Alpha, is now assistant to the advertising manager for the House of Kuppenheimer, Chicago, manufacturers of men's clothing. He is married and has one child, a future Sigma Phi Epsilon. The latter now boasts of three teeth. The family is living at 5940 South Park avenue.

Percy H. Caris, Iowa Alpha, '15, is selling automobiles (Fords) for the J. J. Wright Motor Company, Chicago. He recently won first prize in a sales contest of the company. Brother Caris is married and will help the Grand Chapter treasury along when his son is ready to be initiated. His home is at 6024 South Park avenue.

H. Elliott Taylor, Pennsylvania Eta, '21, has recently joined "Domestic Engineering," a weekly plumbing trade paper, Chicago, as associate editor. He is living at 113 N. Kostner and was discovered to be in Chicago as a result of having his pin "spotted" by E. E. Plummer.

Armon Williams, Oklahoma Alpha, '21, is adjuster for the Western Adjustment and Inspection Company, Chicago. He is living at 1377 East 57th street with three other Oklahoma natives who are attending the University of Chicago.

Calvin C. Wilhelm, Indiana Alpha, '19, is salesman for the Columbia Tool Steel Company, Chicago, and "flivvers" about the city. Most of his time is spent at his girl's address, and he can best be reached there, 820 Tower Court. The correspondent vouches for his girl, a Miss Schell, and says she is O-Kay.

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Sid—"Albert's a funny fellow."

Kid—"How come?"

Sid—"You can't get a rise out of him in the morning, but he'll fall for anything in the evening."—Awgwan.

**KANSAS CITY ALUMNI CHAPTER****KANSAS CITY, MO.****Thos. H. Neal**

The Kansas City Alumni Chapter takes great pleasure in informing their Grand Chapter that they heartily approve of the amendments to our constitution and the progress of the Conclave at Des Moines.

At present we have an alumni chapter of forty-five members in Kansas City and we meet every Wednesday at noon at the Kansas City Club. Any brother who may be visiting in the city is invited. He needs no special invitation as we will be only too glad to have him with us.

Brother Joe Ivy, one of our leading members, had an unusual Christmas present in the form of a baby girl and that accounts for his being absent from our Conclave. Joe thought it was important enough to stay at home on such an event as that.

At present, we are glad to have Brother Dr. Dively back with us. He has been in the east taking some special work in medicine. We are very proud of Dr. Dively, who is one of the highest men in his profession in Kansas City. We expect some very great things from him in his work. We feel the same way about our Brother Cropper who is making some rapid progress in a business way in this city.

We had the pleasure recently of having with us C. C. Culbertson, Iowa Beta, whose home is in Ames, Iowa. He attended the North Missouri and East Kansas Live Stock Conference and distinguished himself by appearing on the programs a number of times with papers of interest to the conference.

The Kansas City Alumni Chapter will give an entertainment February 3rd at the Blue Lantern Cafe for which some interesting plans have been made. In addition to such events and the weekly luncheons we have a monthly dinner that is always well attended. These functions are invariably the occasion for rare good times and maintain an exceptionally good spirit among the membership. It is our hope to make our chapter one of the liveliest chapters in the country. We feel very well satisfied with the condition of things, especially since getting our charter as a chapter.

**AK-SAR-BEN ALUMNI CHAPTER****OMAHA, NEBRASKA****Walter R. Johnson**

The Ak-Sar-Ben Alumni Chapter started the year with one of the best and most enthusiastic meetings since its organization. Our delegate, Brother Axthelm, had a great deal to do with this as he made us all feel good with his report on the Conclave at Des Moines. We also had the pleasure of having Brothers W. A. Cassidy of Colorado Beta and L. C. Johnson of Iowa Alpha, join our midst.

We have the honor of presenting to you our new president, W. A. Wencel of Iowa Gamma. Bill is always primed with enthusiasm so we know he will continue to keep the pace set by our retiring executive, Brother J. L. Woodward. The other officers elected for the year 1922 are Lee Lowry of Nebraska Alpha, Vice-president, and Walter R. Johnson of Nebraska Alpha, Secretary-treasurer.

An entertainment committee headed by Dr. Purney is working on a schedule of social affairs to be held by this chapter during the year. It is planned to have a number of dances, picnics and other outings in addition to our monthly dinners.

Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon who have affiliated with our chapter are:

Aldrich, Joseph, Nebr. Alpha, Farming.

Axthelm, E. E., Iowa Beta, Athl. Dir. Glenwood (Ia.) High.

Balis, Arthur, Nebr. Alpha, Lawyer.

Cassidy, Dr. W. A., Colo. Beta, M. D., eye, ear, nose, throat.

Conner, R. E., Iowa Alpha, Engineer, Western Electric Co.

Corliss, Reed, Iowa Beta, Farming.

Coy, H. C., Iowa Beta, Dental Student, Creighton Uni.

Dawson, W. J., Ohio Alpha, Engineer, Bell Telephone Co.

Deering, David, Nebr. Alpha, Medical Student, Nebr. Uni.

Everetts, Glenn, Nebr. Alpha, Medical Student, Nebr. Uni.

Graham, Don, Nebr. Alpha, Medical Student, Nebr. Uni.

Johnson, L. C., Iowa Alpha, U. S. National Bank.

Johnson, W. R., Nebr. Alpha, Law Student, Creighton, Uni.

C. C. Keirle, Nebr. Alpha, Engineer.

Koutsky, Dr. J. W., Nebr. Alpha, M. D., St. Joseph Hospital.

Krug, Wm. J., Nebr. Alpha, Nebraska Power Co.

Land, J. A., Colo. Beta, Chemist, U. P. R. R. Co.

Lowry, L. R., Nebr. Alpha, Merchant.

Miller, M. E., Nebr. Alpha, Salesman.

Newman, E. R., Nebr. Alpha, Sales Mgr. Omaha Bakers Supply Co.

Purney, Dr. J. F., Nebr. Alpha, Dentist.

Wencel, W. A., Iowa Gamma, Accountant, Bell Tele. Co.

Woodward, J. L., Nebr. Alpha, Engineer, Bell Tele. Co.

Van Sickle, G. R., Iowa Gamma, Bell Tele. Co.

Bennett, Howard, Nebr. Alpha, Medical Student, Nebr. Uni.

Ewing, L. L., Nebr. Alpha, Athl. Dir., Omaha Benson High.

Herbert Pillars, Iowa Beta, Bell Telephone Co.

Rider, Larry, Nebr. Alpha, Medical Student, Nebr. Uni.

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#### **PUGET SOUND ALUMNI ASS'N.      SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

##### **Frank H. Hamack**

The rolls of our alumni association now embrace the names of some sixty or seventy men, representing chapters from coast to coast and from north to south, some fifteen or twenty.

We are doing everything we can to put Sigma Phi Epsilon on top, where it belongs, at the University of Washington. This we are able to assist in in many ways, and suffice it to say that not a stone is left unturned in that direction.

We are now planning on a home for Washington Beta. Let us hope that it will not be long when we will be the proud owners of a real home on this campus.

We meet every Friday noon for luncheon, and a meeting and dinner once every month. These luncheons are always followed by a very high class bowling match, at which we all take turns in paying for the amusement.

The new officers elected for the present year were: F. Max Gardner, President of California Alpha; O. E. Draper, Vice President of Washington Alpha; F. H. Hamack, Secretary-treasurer of D. C. Alpha; George Krueger (Cole Alpha) and Adolph Bloom (W. Alpha) Guards; F. S. Balyeat, Ohio Gamma, Historian.

The secretary may be reached by writing 2338 North 61st street, Seattle. He would at all times be much pleased to hear from brothers wherever they may be, who contemplate visiting the coast, and particularly Seattle, or who would like to learn of the work being done here.

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We all unite in sending greetings to the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon, far and wide, and offer a most cordial welcome to join us in our meetings and come into our midst to all. We most certainly hope to see many of you in 1925—at the time of the Portland World's Fair.

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### **WESTERN COLORADO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

#### **Grand Junction, Colorado**

On the evening of November 5, nine members of Sigma Phi Epsilon, representing Colorado Alpha, Colorado Beta, Colorado Gamma and Iowa Beta chapters, assembled at the La Court Hotel in Grand Junction to enjoy a banquet. Those present were: R. M. White, Colorado Alpha; G. R. Chaffee, Colorado Beta; W. P. Yetter, Jr., Harry Antles, H. D. Graham, S. R. Bull, C. M. Tompkins, F. V. Stong, Colorado Gamma; L. R. Harvey, Iowa Beta.

Dr. Glenn R. Chaffee acted as toastmaster, and impromptu speeches were made by each of the brothers present.

Inasmuch as no Alumni Chapter exists in western Colorado, a tremendous area of thousands of square miles, extending from the top of the Continental Divide of the Rockies to the Utah line, it was decided, after much favorable discussion, to form an Alumni unit. The objects of the Alumni Chapter were decided to be:

1. To assist the three Colorado chapters of Sigma Phi Epsilon by keeping them in touch with conditions in western Colorado and to advise and assist regarding new men entering any of the colleges where the above chapters exist, or any college outside of the state where Sigma Phi Epsilon has a chapter.
2. To band together all Alumni members of Sigma Phi Epsilon into a definite organization with the object in mind of meeting together at some central point several times each year, in order to foster fraternity spirit.

While the number of brothers present at this gathering was small, it was felt that every worthy endeavor must have

a small beginning. Many brothers located in western Colorado were unable to be present, but the highest kind of optimism prevailed throughout the evening. It is hoped that a strong and influential chapter will result in a year or two as a result of this initial meeting.

Dr. Chaffee appointed an executive committee, before the festivities were concluded, consisting of Brothers White, Antles and Chaffee, all of Grand Junction, to perfect plans for the organization. The committee has since decided that the meetings would be held, in all probability, the latter part of June and the fore part of November.

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### **OHIO ALPHA ALUMNI**

Burke Gardner, '21, has purchased one of the leading drug stores of Ada, Ohio, which he is conducting in a very efficient manner. Gardner was president of last year's Ohio Alpha Chapter.

Carl P. Dunifon, '19, has been elected prosecuting attorney of Van Wert County, Ohio. Previously he served as city solicitor for the city of Van Wert.

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### **INDIANA ALPHA ALUMNI**

Sigma Phi Epsilon is to be represented in the planning of the new million dollar Purdue Union building, for according to latest advices, Lewis and Warren of Louisville, a firm of which J. Clifford Lewis, Indiana Alpha, '09, is senior partner, has been retained to design and supervise the installation of the heating, ventilating, wiring, refrigeration and other parts of the mechanical equipment.

P. I. Glazebrook, '12, spent a day with Indiana Alpha Chapter soon after Christmas. He has been in Cleveland where he was closely affiliated with the Alumni Association of that place. He is now connected with the American Tar Products Company of Chicago.

While in town a few days ago to speak to the Indiana Engineering Association, Laurence V. Sheridan, Indiana Alpha,

'09, visited with us a few hours. He has just assumed a new position in Indianapolis, that of secretary of the City Plan Commission. He also dropped the good news that he had a prospective Sig Ep pledge for about 1940.

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### **OHIO GAMMA ALUMNI**

W. F. Spear, '21, is now employed in the chemical laboratory of the Barrett Coal Tar Products Company at Cleveland, Ohio.

Donald Worley, '21, is changing from the Columbus Oil Cloth Company to a position with the Park-Davis Drug Company of Detroit, Mich.

W. C. Rardin, '21, and W. D. Kreiger, '19, are employed with the Ohio Inspection Bureau at Columbus, Ohio.

A. S. Schlingman, '11, who has been located at Eaton, Ohio, is now with an insurance firm at Columbus, Ohio.

K. B. Wiggins, '20, is now with the Guardian Savings & Trust Co., at Cleveland, Ohio.

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### **D. C. ALPHA ALUMNI**

Edward B. Dunford, Virginia Alpha, is now assistant general counsel for the National Anti-Saloon League with headquarters in Washington, D. C.

John W. Townsend has resigned his position as secretary of the Law School of George Washington, and is in the law office of Peacock. He is also teaching two classes in the George Washington Law School. Grand Vice-President Eastman writes of having luncheon with Brother Townsend recently, when the latter was in Milwaukee in consultation with a client, in the course of which Townsend stated that D. C. Alpha Alumni Association is soon to petition for a charter. There is thought to be about two hundred members of the fraternity in Washington. A very strong Alumni chapter should be developed.

### KANSAS ALPHA ALUMNI

Claude Main spent a week-end in October with Kansas Alpha. Main has been with White-Meyers Chautauqua with headquarters in Kansas City. Claude did so well they wanted him for the winter, but he chose to remain home with his parents in Dodge City, Kans.

Brother Willard Procter, '16, visited with the chapter during the American Legion week in Kansas City. Willard is taking a law course at Texas University.

Russell Baldwin of Laramie, Wyo., visited with Kansas Alpha during November. Baldwin is employed with the W. H. Holliday Company of Laramie.

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### NEBRASKA ALPHA ALUMNI

Vernon D. Andrews is banking at College View, Nebr. He is the owner and manager of the highest priced courting hounds in the United States. He is also president of the Nebraska Alumni Association of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Leonard Allen is banking at Ottawa, Kans.

Arthur Balis is practicing law at Omaha, Nebr. He is also active in the Omaha Alumni Chapter.

Harold Bedell is superintendent of schools at Bostwick, Nebr.

Nels A. Bengston, Lincoln, Nebr., is head of the Geology and Geography Department of the University of Nebraska. He has so organized his department that it now stands without peer. During, and since, the war he has been in the employ of the government doing geological survey work in Central America. He is regarded as an authority in geology and geography.

Paul P. Bliss, who has been a minus quantity since 1914, turns up as sales manager for the Four Wheel Drive Tractor people of Minneapolis, with territory in five states. As he will make Lincoln frequently, we hope to see more of him. Since we have seen him his experiences have included a first lieutenancy in a machine gun company, with service overseas and in action, receiving a captaincy just after being discharged, and turning down a majority in the Reserves. After that he

sold cars, turning off a dead stock in record time. Next he managed a Wyoming garage, put it on a paying basis, and turned down a bright prospect there. Indulged in a few more selling games and now reports in the capacity first mentioned. Among his acquisitions is that of a wife.

Scott H. Brown is farming at Rushville, Nebr.

Howard Bennett is studying medicine in the University College of Medicine at Omaha where he is a member of Phi Rho Sigma. His brother, Elting Bennett, graduated from the Nebraska College of Medicine and is now taking his internship at Omaha hospital. He is also a Phi Rho Sigma.

Charles W. Brown is married and is now ranching at Rushville, Nebr.

Donovan K. Bryant is at Hartington, Nebr.

Phil Smith Burnham is another married man at the College of Medicine at Omaha.

Stuart Clark is geologist with the Maitland Refining Company at Okmulgee, Okla.

Samuel G. Chamberlain is in the real estate business in the Bankers Life Building at Lincoln, Nebr.

Harry Cotton is with the Ohio Oil Company of Casper, Wyo.

Raymond P. Costello is in the insurance business at Exeter, Nebr.

Edgar M. Campbell is salesman for the Haberdasher Shop in Lincoln, Nebr.

Alfred D. Davey is in school at the University of California.

Fred G. Dale is coach of athletics at Wayne Normal at Wayne, Nebr., and from all appearances he is turning out athletes who will pale his own record. He is now married and is the father of a future shot-putter for the University of Nebraska.

Crawford M. Delano is division engineer for the C. B. & Q. railroad out of Lincoln. He is married and has two children.

Loren L. Ewing is director of athletics and instructing in science at Benson High School of Omaha, Nebr.

Glenn S. Everts is studying medicine at Omaha and is a member of Phi Rho Sigma, medic fraternity.

Donald D. Elliott is with the State Highway Commission with headquarters in the capitol building.

David L. Erickson is in the county engineer's office and does a great deal of contracting on the side. His specialty is highway engineering in which work he has put over some big jobs.

Dave Deering is studying medicine at Omaha and is a Phi Rho Sigma. He took first place in the century dash last year at the Drake relays. His work on the track this winter has been impaired by a broken blood vessel in the leg which necessitated an operation, but he is getting back in form and great things are expected of him this spring.

Glen H. Gardner is studying law at Columbia University, New York City.

Carl Geiger is practicing law at Casper, Wyo.

Lon Graf is farming at Tecumseh and last fall coached the state championship amateur football team of that place.

Don A. Graham is studying medicine at Omaha and is a member of Phi Rho Sigma.

Gayle Vincent Grubb has just recently returned from the European tour of the Southern Rag-a-jazz band. He is the founder of this organization and is no doubt responsible for its unusual success because of his directing. His home is at University Place, Nebr.

William Hollingsworth is another married man and is a certified public accountant at Hastings, Nebr.

Albert D. Hall is principal of the high school and athletic director at Stanwood, Wash.

John W. Hollahan is in the employ of the Western Supply Company of Lincoln, Nebr.

Harry E. Harris finds an outlet for his engineering ability with the C. B. & Q. railroad at Havelock, Nebr.

Edwin T. Hoffman will go into a bank in the western part of the state soon. His home is at Harvard, Nebr.

William M. Holt is engaged in the practice of law with offices in the Funke Building in Lincoln, Nebr.

Walter Hager is principal of the Adams, Nebraska, High School.

Ralph E. Herrick is with the Sprague and Isley Construction Company of Beatrice, Nebr., and will have charge of certain work in the construction of a railroad this spring from Hardin, Mont., to the Soap Creek Oil field in Wyoming.

Dana Harper is located at Gothenburg, Nebr. He is engaged in the practice of law and is the city attorney of Gothenburg.

Clifford J. Hardin is operating a hardware and furniture store in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

John W. Hussey is married and is superintendent of schools at Cambridge, Nebr.

Alfred L. Isham who was married last fall, is cashier of the Chadron, Nebr., State Bank.

Walter Johnson is studying law at Creighton University of Omaha, Nebr.

Leslie Johnstone is an operator with the Standard Oil at Laramie, Wyo. Last fall he received an invitation to join the Lions' club, an honorary business men's association of Laramie.

Lieut. Thomas Kokjer is in the Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., still undergoing operations as the result of an aeroplane crash in 1918.

Richard V. Koupal is general manager for the State Feed Company with offices in Lincoln.

Leonard L. Leach is with the G. A. Roth Manufacturing Company of Hastings, Nebr.

Walter Lempke is a civil engineer for the A. T. & T. Co., of New York City.

Kenneth Marcy was married last fall and lives at Ashland, Nebr.

Roland J. Miller was married in the fall and lives at Milford, Nebr.

Dean D. McBrien is instructor in the high school at Conway, Ark.

Irwin A. Mellon is banking at Ponca, Nebr.

Stanley B. Marsh is instructing in the Beatrice High School.

Payson D. Marshall is auditor of the Nebraska State Bank and is taking some post-graduate work. He was married last fall.

Dr. Charles V. Manville is practicing dentistry at Colome, South Dakota.

Phillip M. Parker is located at Scottsbluff, Nebr. He is teaching engineering in the new irrigation school there.

Charles Fred Parks is president of the senior class of the University of Wyoming. He is very active in school and was

the instigator of a student loan fund last fall. He was also chosen as a delegate from eight states to the Episcopal Conclave in Washington to be held this spring. He is planning to go to Leland-Stanford to study law next fall.

Harlan Peard is now located at Phillips, Nebr.

Dr. G. S. Philbrick is an assistant surgeon in the United States Public Health Service at the U. S. Marine Hospital in Buffalo, N. Y.

Avery B. Pickering was married recently and is living in Lincoln. His brother, Doane Pickering, also resides in the city.

Walter R. Power is director of athletics at the Seattle High School, Seattle, Wash.

Dr. J. F. Purney is practicing dentistry in the Peters Trust Building at Omaha, Nebr. He is also president of the Omaha Alumni Association of S. P. E.

G. Dwight Putman is farming at Tecumseh and specializing in pure-bred swine of the exhibition variety.

Jesse H. Quinn is ranching at Gothenburg.

Frank E. Rohde is in the engineering department of the city water works at Chicago.

Lester D. Robinson is now at Sheridan, Wyo.

Dr. Arthur Harold Schmidt has returned from Europe where he was with the Southern Rag-a-Jazz Band. He is now instructor in the Dental College at the University of Nebraska.

Dr. Harry M. Souders is practicing dentistry at Nebraska City, Nebr.

Wilber H. Sherman is in business at Tecumseh, Nebr.

Anton Strandberg is in business at Primghar, Iowa.

T. B. Strain is with the First Trust Company of Lincoln, Nebr., and is secretary of the State S. P. E. Alumni Association.

Oliver W. Townsend is in the automobile selling game at Hastings, Nebr.

Glen V. Tunks is in business at Sheridan, Wyo.

Merle C. Townsend is farming at Tecumseh, Nebr. He recently became the father of a daughter.

Ralph Theisen is the assistant manager of the Northwest Mutual Life Insurance Company and is president of the Musicians' Union in Lincoln.

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Myron L. Vanhorn is cashier in the Pawnee State Bank at Pawnee City, Nebr.

Arthur W. Walker who graduated from the College of Engineering last year, is now convalescing from an operation for appendicitis. He is making the Nebraska Alpha house his headquarters.

Joseph S. Wishart is practicing law in Deadwood, So. Dak.

Shelby W. Wishart is studying medicine at the University of Michigan and is a member of Phi Rho Sigma. He will graduate this spring.

Walter J. Wohlenberg is instructing in the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University.

Edwin F. Young was married last fall and is now in business at Lamar, Mo.

Harlow W. Young is in the brokerage business in New York City.

Edwin T. Zink spent the past summer pitching ball in the Canadian League on the west coast. He is now at Sterling, Nebr.

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#### WISCONSIN ALPHA ALUMNI

Kevill Larson, '20, won the Rhodes Scholarship when he was selected as Wisconsin's representative after having successfully passed the examinations held last December. When in Lawrence, Larson had a remarkable record in scholarship, athletics, and other campus activities. He was a member of Pi Delta Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa, and won recognition by his ability along various lines. He will enter Oxford in October, 1922.

Frank S. Williams, '21, won first place in the running high jump at the track meet of the Boston Y. W. C. M. He leaped 5 feet 7 inches, and with his handicap of 5 inches, did 6 feet, taking first place. Williams is attending Boston School of Theology.

Carroll Heft, ex-'22, is on the University of Wisconsin debate team.

In "Their Tomorrows," the play presented by the Appleton Rotary Club, Mr. Lee C. Rasey, a Lawrence graduate and

former professor, took the leading part. Mr. Rasey is now principal of the Appleton High School.

Rodney Dawley, ex-'21, visited at the fraternity house several days. Dawley represents the John Leslie Paper Company, located in Minneapolis, Minn.

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#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON ALUMNI

Vernon E. Johnson, '20, is located with the Laurentide Company, Limited, of La Tuque, Canada. His position is that of district accountant and his work has taken him over a large part of the territory between the St. Lawrence and Hudson Bay. In June, 1918, he was married to Miss Rachael F. Hosmer.

Ned H. Sayford, '08, writes from Memphis, Tenn., where he is vice-president of the Morgan Engineering Company. He was a welcome visitor in Bethlehem during the past summer.

Samuel B. Downey, '18, is at present working for the Dietrich Brothers Structural Steel Company of Baltimore, Md. His duties have had to do with the designing of steel work. Lately his engagement to Miss Helen L. Barrett of the above city has been announced.

Ansel L. Purple, '18, is located with the New York Central Railroad at Oswego, N. Y.

Charles G. Gilman, '19, writes from Pittsburg, Pa., where he is employed as an electrometallurgist. Until the last year he had his business in Philadelphia.

Grier Lloyd, '15, is secretary of the Lloyd Fruit Farms, Inc., of Hazelton, Pa. The firm specializes in apples and the farm contains more than ten thousand apple trees.

Carl T. Schwarze, '05, is associate professor of civil engineering at New York University. He has been associated with this institution for a number of years, starting in as a lecturer.

Warters R. Warner, '19, is employed as a foreman by the Balbach Smelting and Refining Company, of Newark, N. J. Formerly he held the same position with the American Synthetic Dyes, Inc.

John H. Alden, '21, is studying for an M. A. degree at the University of Washington, Seattle, Wash. He expects to remain in the west for a year and then return to his home in Washington, D. C.

William J. Arner, '21, has been struck with wanderlust and he has gone to Africa as an electrometallurgist for the Union Miniere du Haut Katanga, which is situated at Labumbaski, Belgian Congo. He will be in Africa for three years.

Edward L. Tinker, '21, is employed by the General Electric Company of Schenectady, New York, where his work has had to do with testing large turbines for United States battleships.

George B. Gelly, '22, paid us a flying visit from Birmingham, Ala., just before the Lafayette game. He is district manager of the Interlocking Tile Company, at Birmingham.

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#### MINNESOTA ALPHA ALUMNI

Harry Crandall decided that the old adage of two living as cheaply as one was an actual fact, so he stood before the minister, and now Miss Neomi Mueller is Mrs. Harry Crandall.

Along this same line we might add that Brothers L. J. Pankow, T. E. Babcock and P. J. Stillwell have seen the justice of Brother Crandall's reasoning, and have preceded or followed him along the path of double blessedness.

Louis J. Pankow is in the University Hospital at this writing, but he is only completing his internship.

M. J. Babcock has located in Anoka, having decided to enter the hardware business in partnership with his father.

H. H. Crandall and B. E. Stillwell are both located in Minneapolis, principally because of their connection with Thompson Yards, Inc.

John J. Craig seems delighted with the work at the Bureau of Experimental Mining, for he is still putting in his time and efforts at that place. There must be some other reason, but it is not immediately evident.

W. L. Gould is the most faithful and sincere caller at the chapter house, and he is a good example for the other Alumni to copy. He is still with Drake, Ballard Investment Company, which shows that they, too, recognize his true worth.

Harold Lund is the same old "Hans." He is engaged in important work for the Social Agencies, but knows where to come for a good home-cooked meal. Despite his appetite, he is one of the regular visitants at the chapter house, and is at all times welcome. Come over and meet Hans.

B. W. Taylor of Nebraska Alpha has but recently located in Minneapolis, yet he has been a frequent visitor at the house and has spent many an enjoyable hour talking over fraternity "doings."

Wm. H. Yungclas of Iowa Beta paid a visit to the chapter on January 20th, while passing through the city. He is of the opinion that we have a fine bunch, but of course we knew that, so we would like to have some of our own "lumni's" come out and verify his claim.

Ivan Northfield and Percy Hagen came out to spent the night, with the result that we had a great recital of old doings and a recipe for a vast number of new ones. We surely enjoyed meeting the older boys and wish they could come out oftener. Brother Northfield is enjoying a very healthy dental practice at Duluth.

Alan W. Mollison recited the old "So Long Maw, So Long Paw," and came up to the city. He has not forgotten the old house, and has dropped in quite often.

Donald MacRae is still gracing the Twin Cities, but more particularly the Hippodrome, where he shows them how to manipulate a real pair of skates.

Walter Stillwell is another of the brothers that can be found in the hospital. He is at the General Hospital, taking his medicine in the form of an internship.

Because Butler Brothers decided that J. V. Merrill would look better on the payroll than on the class book, they made him an offer that took him away from the old school.

Robert Anderberg is at work in St. Paul for the Raymer Hardware company. He is the same old boy, still has the good of the fraternity at heart and—comes over to see us once in a while.

Clarence R. Flynn is proving that a man is not a dentist until he establishes his own office, so he has hung out his shingle in the Lake Street district.

Merrill W. Seymour is still in school, but that only proves that he is working for his Master's Degree. To round out the

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day, he is acting as an assistant instructor. Needless to say, he is some actor.

Harold Shillock is attending school at the University of Washington at Seattle, where he has done much valuable work in establishing the new chapter at that school.

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### PENNSYLVANIA ETA ALUMNI

Karl E. Kahley, captain of last year's boxing team, is doing research bacteriology in a hospital at Connellsville, Penn. Kahley intends to pay the chapter a visit at the time of the first boxing meet of this season.

Myles Thomas, also of the 1921 class who led Penn State through many victories by his fine baseball pitching, is about to leave for the winter training camp of the New York Americans in New Orleans, La. Thomas made his pitching debut in his sophomore year in college when he hurled a victory over Bucknell. His fame was re-established the following year when he pitched eight straight games without a defeat and the next year he is accredited with ten victories. After he signed up with the Yankees last summer he was "farmed" out to Hartford, Conn., where he upheld his reputation. He paid the chapter a visit recently before leaving for the south. With him goes Penna. Eta's best wishes and the best of luck.

Louis Mallennour, '18, paid us a visit for several days when he was here on business for the Agricultural Department. He is at present doing Farm Extension work at Bedford, Penna.

A letter from Captain E. J. Morris, U. S. A., informed us that he is at the Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, attending a school there. He joined the army shortly after he graduated from college in 1919 and has risen to the rank of captain.

W. Carey Schultz, '21, is at present located in Brooklyn, N. Y., working with the American Telegraph and Telephone Company. Since he has been out of college he has been married to Miss Ruth L. Ritts of Altoona, Penna.

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### OREGON ALPHA ALUMNI

William Bailey, '17, is a farm superintendent of the Southwest Cotton Company's farm near Tempe, Ariz.

Harry Wellman, '21, is sojourning among the coyotes and jackrabbits of eastern Oregon. He is leader of boys' and

girls' club work in Malhuer county, and has headquarters at Vale, Ore.

Ellsworth Green, '20, is taking post-graduate work at the University of California. "Congratulations on keeping up the scholarship standard," writes Green to the chapter house.

From journalism to oranges is the record of Wellington Green, ex-'21, who came to O. A. C., studied journalism, got married and moved to California to take charge of an orange and lemon grove. Green is negotiating the purchase of a daily newspaper near Whittier, Cal., where he makes his home.

A. E. McClain, '20, has taken a position with the Oregon Growers' Co-operative Association at Salem, Ore. McClain was a Varsity wrestler while in college, and says his training helps him immensely in the work he does.

Sleeping sickness almost claimed "Virg" Fendall, '16, one of the old Oxford Club men. Fendall nearly succumbed to the disease, but is now slowly recuperating at the home farm at Newberg, Ore.

Holding a position with the General Electric Company of Schenectady, N. Y., and at the same time working towards his master's degree, is the announcement coming from Willis Lathrop. He devotes one afternoon a week and considerable outside work towards his degree from Union College.

The Exeter Tire & Vulcanizing Works at Exeter, Cal., is owned by L. A. Wheeler, an old Oxford Club man. The Oxford Club was the club which petitioned Sigma Phi Epsilon from Corvallis.

E. E. Henry, '21, has taken a position with the federal board at O. A. C. He is in charge of the government training of disabled soldiers.

Harold B. Robinson, '21, is the new field man for the West Coast Engraving Company of Portland, Ore. Robinson does considerable work among high schools of the northwest, selling engravings for annuals, etc., and is thereby enabled to furnish the chapter with much good information regarding promising material for pledges.

William Mathisen, '21, is a Smith-Hughes teacher of agriculture and farm mechanics in the Princeton High School at Princeton, Cal. Mathisen started his work at a salary of \$2,400.

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Promotion of J. Ivan Stewart, '21, to the position of U. S. specialist in charge of agricultural training for the veterans' bureau, is announced by the Corvallis chapter. Stewart will have general supervision over Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Announcement of the arrival of a nine-pound son to Mr. and Mrs. Stewart reached the house recently.

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### **WISCONSIN BETA ALUMNI**

Harry G. Abendorth is living in Madison temporarily. He is securing statistics for the railway commission.

Lorin E. Dickelmann is now located at 154 Abby street, Fresno, Cal., where he has a position as a high school physical director. He has written to one of the men in the house and says that he expects to stay in California for a few years at least, for he has great opportunities there for succeeding in his occupation.

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### **NORTH CAROLINA DELTA ALUMNI**

Palmer Horton, who graduated Christmas second highest in his class, has accepted a position as manager of the Kline Pharmacy Drug Company, of High Point.

Lee Crowell and Bayard Yelverton, who passed the state board last year, are practicing law in Concord and Goldsboro respectively.

Robert Hambrick, who graduated in medicine here last year, has gone to Tulane University in order to continue his medical course.

J. S. Massenburg is athletic director at the Morganton High School, Morganton, N. C.

J. B. Miller is in Mexico, where he is making a geological survey.

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If education makes a person refined, why is a college course?—Jester.

## Marriages and Births

Theodore T. Weldon, California Alpha, '14, was married December 23 to Miss Kathryn Hickson, daughter of Mrs. Edwin J. Hickson of Pittsburgh, Pa. The ceremony was performed in Pittsburgh, and after a short honeymoon, the couple are now at home at 6031 Kimbark avenue, Chicago. Brother Weldon is advertising manager of the Northern Trust Company of Chicago.

On the twenty-first of December, Dr. Ray H. Freark, Illinois Alpha, '18, was married to Miss Lillian Lizette Stauffer of Eldon, Iowa. The couple are now at home at 2920 Indiana, Chicago. Dr. Freark is a surgeon at the Lakeside Hospital, Chicago, and has performed a number of interesting major operations.

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Brother Benjamin J. Eastman to Miss Edna Frances Staats, February 4, at Fort Worth, Texas, where they will be home after March first. Brother Eastman is a member of New Hampshire Alpha, graduating from Dartmouth College in 1918. He was a member of the Varsity football team and the first member of his fraternity to be elected to "Cap and Gown," the honorary senior society. During the war he enlisted in the navy, coming out with the rank of ensign. While in the service he was awarded a special citation by Secretary of the Navy Daniels for bravery in remaining with a burning vessel at sea until it could be got to port. Since leaving the service he has been in the oil fields and is now manager of a garage in Fort Worth. Eastman is a brother of W. H. Eastman, Grand Vice President of the fraternity.

The marriage of William H. Younclas to Miss Ethel Wilson has been announced. They were married August fourth but no announcement was made until lately. Brother Youngclas is a member of Iowa Beta of the class of '21. They will live in Webster City, Iowa, where Brother Youngclas is farming. Mrs. Youngclas was a member of Sigma Kappa at Ames, graduating last spring.

The marriage of L. D. Frederickson, Iowa Beta, '21, to Miss Daisy Putzke of Dayton, Ohio, took place November tenth, 1921, at the home of the bride. Brother Frederickson, who was active in track work while in school, is now located at

Thurman, Iowa. Mrs. Frederickson is a graduate of Ames of the class of 1920 and was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

The marriage of Frank W. McDonald, Kansas Alpha, to Miss Helen Honnell took place somewhat recently. Brother McDonald is coach at Haskell Indian Institute in Lawrence, Kansas, where he and his wife will make their home.

The marriage has been announced of Walter Howard Basnight, North Carolina Gamma, to Miss Myra Kathryn Benton, on the twenty-eighth of January. The wedding took place at Suffolk, Virginia. Brother Basnight is engaged in the wholesale grocery business at Ahoskie, N. C., where they will make their home.

Harry R. Phillips of Virginia Epsilon Chapter, now in the Alumni Association of Washington, D. C., was married to Miss Mary Lee King on December 28, 1921, at Clinton, N. C. They are now living at 1808 Newton street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Brother Phillips is working for Barber & Ross in the capacity of structural steel engineer.

Cupid has raised havoc among Michigan Alpha Alumni but the details are meager. The following Michigan brothers, according to report, have had the words said over them: Glen H. Cummings, Donald T. Lester, Charles Edson Hardy, Leonard Longwill and Jap P. Sweeney. Brother Cummings was married to Miss Pauline Newton of Detroit, Michigan, where they will live. Brother Lester was married to Miss Eva Wilson of Morenci, Michigan, and Brother Hardy to Miss Marion Fazrile of Chicago. Brother Sweeney married Miss Agnes Diehl of Bay City, Michigan, but both are attending the University of Michigan. Brother Longwill was married to Miss Edna Thomas of Indiana, Pa.

J. W. Oberman, Ohio Gamma, ex-'20, of Bellaire, Ohio, was married on January twenty-first to Miss Leona Davis of Wheeling, West Virginia. The wedding took place at Columbus, Ohio. Brother Oberman is with the Wheeling Mould and Foundry Company of Wheeling, West Virginia.

The announcement has been received of the marriage of Paul R. Franke to Miss Mary Elizabeth Pownall on December nineteenth at Denver, Colo. Brother Franke is a member of Colorado Gamma and Mrs. Franke a member of Alpha Gamma Rho sorority at Ames, Iowa. They will live at Fort Collins, Colo.

Gregory Gray Garland, Virginia Alpha, '11, was married November 26, 1921, to Miss Camilla Scott Wellford, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Armistead Landon Wellford. The wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Garland, 112 Cathedral Place, Richmond, Va. Brother Garland is the manager of the Auto Car Sales and Service Company of Richmond.

The marriage has been announced of Hugh Nail Leiper, Arkansas Alpha, to Miss Linda Paisley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dury Lacy Paisley of Hope, Ark., on January 15, 1922. The marriage took place at Hope, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. Leiper will live at Newport, Ark.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. W. Ivy, December 25, 1921, a girl. Brother Ivy was a member of Georgia Alpha.

(Editorial Note—Either the historians or the stork are shirking a duty and, personally, we have great faith in the grand old bird.)

# In Memoriam

Sanford Ruby Parker, Jr.

By Charles Garside, New York Beta

To make people happy was Ruby's purpose. He was truly unselfish. Envious of none, he loved all. He was loyal to his friends—to his fraternity. He did not devote the little time it was given him to spend here in building an empire for himself. He saw too clearly for that. He simply went about doing good,

Ruby has gone to a far greater Conclave than the one we willed he should attend, but his devotion to Sigma Phi Epsilon is not slackened. Wherever the spirit of Ruby is, there shall be found the spirit of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The love that he bore us and the love we bore him is the only thing worth while in 'this little gleam of light between two eternities' which we call life.

We have lost in the body as true a brother—as delightful a companion—as we shall ever have; but his spirit will live on in every one of us.

Vale, Ruby—Vale.—From The NYB of New York Beta.

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## Lloyd Calvin Ruggles

Lloyd Calvin Ruggles, Colorado Alpha, died at the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colo., January 23, 1922, after a protracted illness. Brother Ruggles was initiated into Missouri Alpha as a charter member of that chapter April 10, 1914. He was transferred to Colorado Alpha where he finished his schooling. He served in the war, where he contracted tuberculosis which resulted in his death. The funeral was held at Denver, January 24, and was very largely attended by Alumni of Colorado Alpha. The remains were sent to Monette, Mo., for burial.

**RESOLUTIONS FROM NEW YORK BETA**

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His Infinite Wisdom to take from us our dearly beloved brother,

**Sanford Ruby Parker, Jr.,**

WHEREAS, Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a loyal and faithful brother who worked untiringly in its interests, and

WHEREAS, It has become our sad duty to record his death, be it

RESOLVED, That we place upon record this memorial of our grief in the untimely death of one who was so much to all of us, and be it further

RESOLVED, That we tender his bereaved family our sincerest and deepest sympathies in our mutual loss, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased brother, a copy be spread on the records of this chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.

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**RESOLUTIONS FROM COLORADO ALPHA CHAPTER**

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His Infinite Wisdom to remove from this life our dearly beloved brother,

**Lloyd E. Ruggles,**

WHEREAS, It has become our sad duty to record his untimely death, and

WHEREAS, His life has been a worthy example to all who knew him; be it

RESOLVED, By Colorado Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, that in his death Sigma Phi Epsilon has lost a worthy, sincere and loyal brother; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in the time of their sorrow; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy be published in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal, and a copy be spread upon the records of this chapter.

**RESOLUTIONS FROM RICHMOND ALUMNI CHAPTER**

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom has seen fit to call to his eternal rest Brother

**Grayson V. Wray**

WHEREAS, Through his death "Sigma Phi Epsilon" has lost a true and worthy brother, be it

RESOLVED: First, That Sigma Phi Epsilon will always hold his memory dear; and his untimely end as a memorial of the uncertainty of life.

Second, That the Richmond Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon express its heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family in this, their hour of sorrow.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy sent to the Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal for publication, and that they be spread upon the permanent records of this chapter.

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